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THE CITY COUNCIL

The first regular meeting of the 1925 Council was held on Monday night, Mayor Johns presiding, present Aldermen Galbraith, McInnes, Broughton, Snell and Fulton, and Commissioner Stephenson.

The minutes of the last regular meeting and of the statutory meeting were read and approved.

Correspondence

His Honor Judge Mahaffy wrote that he had fixed Friday, January 16th, at 11 o'clock, for the hearing of appeals from the Court of Revision. The Commissioner had notified the Cronquist estate, on whose behalf the only appeal has been lodged.

Chas. E. Thompson, District Supt. of the Church of the Nazarene, advised that he would be present at a Council meeting as soon as possible to discuss the matter of the purchase of Woodlea property

A letter from the Union of Canadian Municipalities, asking for a subscription of $10.00, was filed.

The Department of Municipal Affairs asked for detailed information as to the year's operations with respect to Supplementary Revenue Taxes.

R. B. Owens, Provincial Sanitary Engineer, wrote enclosing Provincial Board of Health Orders in connection with the wood stave pipe sewer from the Provincial Training School. The estimated cost is $6941.21.

The Department of Immigration and Colonization wrote in connection with the Mrs. Sabrodsky deportation proceedings, stating that the matter was receiving attention.

A. Taylor, Fire Chief, asked the Council to authorize the purchase of some rubber boots, wool mitts and rubber coats for protection of the members of the force. The matter was referred to the Commissioners to report on prices.

G. N. Finn, vestry clerk of St. Luke's Church, wrote that he was instructed to ascertain the status of the Parish Hall if used for parochial purposes only in 1925. He also asked whether, in case persons or organizations other than the church used the hall, they would be liable for all taxes. He suggested payment of a licence fee in such cases. The Vestry wished to be absolutely fair with the city, but also wished to know where they stood.

Council were agreed that if hall was used for church purposes only, the hall would be liable for frontage taxes only. A great deal of discussion took place on the second request in the letter, as the Aldermen agreed that to enforce strictly the rule against use of church buildings or halls would put the Choral Society and the Soldiers' Wives' Convention out of business. At the same time, if the Parish Hall entered into competition with other halls they should pay full municipal taxes. The matter was left undecided, a resolution passing to appoint a committee to bring in a report on the taxation of church property.

Payne & Graham wrote that they had taken up with the Board of Public Utility Commissioners the setting of the power rates, and were advised that the Board was proceeding in the matter. A lower rate than the present was mentioned by the company solicitor at the recent hearing.

The Board of Public Utility Commissioners advised that they would not take evidence relative to the validating of the franchise agreement of the Western General Electric Company. They asked if Friday, January 16th, would be a satisfactory date. At the appeals from the Court of Revision come on that date, Council decided to ask that this hearing be laid over until early next week.

Commissioners' Report

1. Following the discussion in Council of the possibility of the spruce and trees on Addison Heights subdivision, adjoining Waskasoo Park, being cut, we met the owners, Messrs. Hepworth and Baile, and submit herewith an offer to sell made by them. The 35 acres taken in practically all the spruce on the sidehill. It is bounded by the A.C.R. road to the top of the hill and the road running east from there coming out at the top of the Exhibition hill. The 72 acres contains in addition to the above all the N. ½ of the N.W. quarter Section 9 to Gaetz Ave. About twelve acres of this piece is level land that has been cultivated.

The annual instalment on a 20-year debenture at 7% is on $2,000.00, $188.79, and on $3,600.00, $339.82. To issue debentures it will be necessary to submit a money by-law to the burgesses and receive the approval of the Board of Public Utility Commissioners.

2. We were served with a notice of claim for $1,000.00 damages by John Quigg, on behalf of Thos. H. Mayne, who claims to have slipped on the sidewalk by the Dayline Block and broke his collar bone. As this is covered by the liability policy held by the City, the claim was turned over to the City Solicitors to protect the interests of the City.

3. We have Foreman Jones cleanins the snow from the gutters and walks in all the time possible, and this work will be continued. We will have orders put on the walks on the main streets.

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PRESENTATION TO R. L. GAETZ

On Tuesday evening of last week the teachers on the High and Public School teaching staffs surprised R. L. Gaetz at his residence, and with expressions of esteem and friendliness after the long years of close association when he was chairman of the School Board, they presented him with a handsome mahogany mantel clock as a practical reminder of those feelings.

It was most fitting that such a presentation should be made, for in the many years of his service no teacher has been in the employ of the Board who has not had a square deal. Because of their association with Mr. Gaetz and the Board over which he presided, many teachers have remained in Red Deer despite tempting offers from other points.

DISASTROUS FIRE AND TRAGEDY AT DELBURNE

Early Friday morning, a disastrous fire broke out in Harder's store, Delburne, and before it burnt itself out at least $30,000 damage was done. Paxton's General Store, Harder's Confectionery, Cameron's Drug Store, and Nicholson's Harness Shop were destroyed. It was feared that J. Nicholson, who came recently from Redcliffe, had perished in the fire and the fear was confirmed by the discovery on Monday of his charred body in the ruins of his shop.

The chemical engine kept by the village for fire was found to be frozen and useless.

HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL CONCERT

The annual concert by the High School and the presentation of the athletic and scholastic medals took place in the Assembly Hall of the school on Thursday night.

The concert consisted of the presentation by the pupils of a number of scenes from Dickens' story, "Oliver Twist." As the announcer, Pryllis Botterill, told the audience in advance, they did not attempt to put on all the story, but contented themselves with a number of the more interesting scenes. These scenes were joined up by a summary of happenings between from the announcer.

Vera Houston, who played the part of Oliver, deserves great commendation. She acted well throughout, especially when she attacked the bully who had maligned her parents. Her voice carried well to the back of the hall.

Of the other actors, Ted Gaetz, Bill Pearson and Glen Jones had hard parts that they handled well, Bill Pearson especially so as the hunched up, miserly Fagin.

All the minor parts were well taken and the whole performance would not be put to shame by any of the plays we get the pleasure of seeing in Red Deer.

Cast of Characters

Mr. Bumble Ted Gaetz
Mrs. Mann Eva Underwood
Susan Ella Botterill
Oliver Vera Houston
Two Children .. Margaret Connell and Milton Hayhoe
Master of Workhouse .. Wilfred Hogg
Boys in Workhouse: Hugh Clarke, Gerald Gaetz, Charlie Humber, Hartwell Bennett and Walter Bullock.
Fagin Bill Pearson
Artful Dodger Marion Stephenson
Charley Bates Josie Sigurdson
Mr. Fang Jack McFaul
Police Officer Norman Botterill
Mr. Brownlow Arthur Davison
Elderly Man Henry McCulloch
Clerk of Court Robert Hepworth
Dick Milton Hayhoe
Noah Claypole Leon Gaetz
Mrs. Sowerberry Bessie Baker
Charlotte Nancy Stephenson
Mr. Grimwig Glen Jones
Monks Caul Wilson
Rose Helen Brown
Mrs. Bumble Margot Gaetz
Announcer—Phyllis Botterill.

After the scenes had been shown two very pretty choruses were sung by the girls' chorus under the leadership of Mrs. Dawe. The songs chosen were pretty, the girls were pretty and their voices blended beautifully.

Dick Gaetz made a most efficient chairman during the early part of the evening, but he at this stage resigned in favor of Principal Locke, who called on School Trustees W. J. Stephenson and C. F. Carswell to present the Scholastic and Athletic medals to the respective winners. These were as follows:

Scholastic Medals

For the highest general average in the Departmental Examinations:
Grade XII.—Bruce Springbett.
Grade XI.—De Loss Matheson.

Sports Medals

For the greatest number of points won at the Annual Field Day:
Public School—Boys' medal, George Horn. Girls' medal, Phyllis Moyes.
High School—Boys' medal, James Moseley. Girls' medal, Velma Trimble.

This annual affair is becoming more popular every year, and this year the Assembly Hall was packed.

During the evening a collection was taken to defray expenses, and a handsome sum was raised to help along the Literary Society.

JOFFRE ITEMS

(From our own correspondent)

January 12th.

Mrs. R. H. Blades was a Red Deer visitor this last week, being the guest of Mrs. Wright.

Quite a number of young people from Joffre attended the dances at Brookdale Friday, and all report a wild time.

Bill Richardson arrived home Thursday after spending the holidays with his parents in Medicine Hat.

The annual school meeting of this district was held in the Jones Valley school, January 10th, with Mr. McLean in the chair. H. J. Bailey, Esq., was a retiring trustee, but was re-elected by acclamation for the next three years. The various reports were read, and altogether we congratulate our board of trustees on keeping our school and district in such good shape.

Wedding bells have at last rung. Two of our young people very quietly slipped away one morning before breakfast—where, no one knows—and they are living in a little cottage made for two some five miles from the centre of Joffre. The contracting parties are Miss Agnes Dickson and Mr. Gus Geinger. The district wishes them a long and happy married life.

Mr. McDonald, of Red Deer, received two cars of cattle from this point on Sunday, for shipment on Monday.

Harry Buckeye had two cattle killed by the passing freight whilst crossing the track.

Would Mr. McDonald be allowed to receive cattle on Sunday in Red Deer or Lacombe?

Mrs. Rathwell is undergoing treatment in the Red Deer Hospital.

TALK ON DIPHTHERIA

Rotary Club Interested in Address by Dr. Stewart MacKenzie.

The regular Rotary luncheon, Monday, at McBride's Hotel, was well attended. Harry Munn was the guest of the day. Rev. R. L. Jackson, pastor of the Baptist Church, was received as padre of the Club, and was initiated by Will Lord and Fred Turnbull.

A splendid address was given by Dr. MacKenzie, dealing with that dread disease, diphtheria, which will be of interest to News readers:

The theories and practice of medicine have undergone a radical change in the last fifty years. No one wishes to belittle the wonderful work done by Hypocrates and the other fathers of medicine, for after all it has been their efforts through the ages that have gradually led up to our present system of medicine, but they were working largely in the dark. Surgery until the last fifty years was a pretty crude business. For centuries it was not even practised by medical men, who took an oath when they graduated not to practise surgery, and it was left to the barbers to perform all the operations that were done. The present barbers' pole is a relic of those days. Today, however, surgery came to be practised more and more by medical men, but until some fifty or sixty years ago it was of necessity a rough and ready profession. Amputation of limbs was the major part of it, and because there was no means of relieving the pain a speedy operation was the main essential. I have stood in the sick-bay of Nelson's flagship, The Victory, and been shown the operating table. It was a huge chest of drawers really, with a flat top. The patients were placed on this and held down by their comrades while the surgeons severed the limb by one swoop of the knife and a few cuts of a saw. The bleeding stump was then thrust into boiling pitch, thus stopping the hemorrhage and preventing infection, and the severed limb was dropped into one of the drawers which was half filled with saw-dust. Lord Lister and Simpson have changed all that though. Anaesthetics by rendering an operation painless now enables a surgeon to take his time, and antiseptics and the theory and practice of ascepsis allows him to do things which would not have been dreamed of fifty years ago.

And if this is true of surgery, it is even more true in the field of medicine. Until it became known that disease was largely not wholly due to germs or bacteria of different kinds, physiologists and bacteriologists in their laboratories of research began working to find out just how these bacteria did their deadly work. Powerful microscopes, which magnified a thousand times, helped them to do this, and it was soon discovered that generally the toxins of any disease was caused by the death of the particular bacillus which caused the disease.

After it was found that it was bacteria which caused disease efforts began to be made to discover something that would counteract the toxins produced by the death of the bacteria What has been done can be well illustrated by a brief study of that once fearful scourge—

Diphtheria

I propose to deal briefly with diphtheria under four heads:

(1) What is the cause of the disease?

(2) Is there any specific method of treatment?

(3) Is there any means whereby we can tell if a person will contract the disease or not?

(4) Is there any way in which a person may be rendered immune to the disease, that is, prevented from having it?

It is satisfactory to be able to say that in respect to each of these questions a definite and precise answer can be given.

First—What is the cause of diphtheria?

Its cause is not filth or dirt, bad smells, nor leaking sewers. The cause is a bacillus or germ which may be given an suitable soil like any germ. The nose and throat of a young child is suitable soil, and there it thrives. In some cases the germs are found in the nose and throat of a child without that child actually suffering from the disease. Such a child is called a "carrier," who by associating with other children may spread the disease. In all cases diphtheria spreads from person to person. The germ, which was discovered in 1883-4 by two French scientists named respectively Klebs and Loeffler, is known by their names, "the Klebs-Loeffler bacillus." Its growth results in the formation of a toxin which poisons the nervous system and, if not promptly and suitably treated, the child dies. It is a disease chiefly of young children Those of six years old and younger are more susceptible, but children of school age are often attacked and even adults, and a few domestic animals (cat, cow) and fowls and birds, may have the disease. It occurs largely in fall and winter, is widespread all over

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FINED $900 AT NORDEGG

Fines amounting to $900 were imposed for breaches of the Liquor Revenue Act at Nordegg, on Monday, the 12th, when Louis Carloni, Pete Romanzin, Joe Tanucci and Gus Fiddler were up before Justices of the Peace Lea and Hodson of that town, and found guilty. Constable English made the seizures and Detective Holmes of the A. P. Police, Red Deer, prosecuted. The first three were fined $200 each and the fourth $300.

B. P. O. E.

Red Deer Lodge, B.P.O.E., met on January 7th with a good attendance of members. The officers for 1925 were installed with due solemnity. Several new members were initiated into the Order, and after Lodge had been closed at 10.30 by E. R. Geo. Orme, the degree team put on the third degree. P. E. R. J. R. MacCrostie took the eleven o'clock service, after which refresh ments were served.

STETTLER HERE ON FRIDAY NIGHT

Stettler hockey team will be here on Friday night for a return game with Red Deer. It will be remembered that our boys journeyed to Stettler early in the season, winning by 3-2. The boys were under heavy expense in their trip to Stettler, and hope for a good turnout on Friday night at 8.30.

I. O. E. DANCE POSTPONED

The I.O.D.E. last week advertised a dance for the night of January 30th. Later they ascertained that that date had already been chosen by the U. F. A. for their annual dance and arrangements made for the use of the Armouries. In face of the fact that it is difficult to get the Armouries for dances, and the U.F.A. had got permission from Ottawa, the I.O.D.E. kindly consented to postpone their dance. If it is decided to hold it at a later date, full announcements will be made.

ANNUAL MEETING OF ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

Next Monday, January 19th, the annual meeting of the congregation of St. Luke's Parish will be held in the McBride Hotel at 8 p.m. sharp. The several reports will be presented, and the officers of the church will be elected for 1925.

Every adult member of the church is asked to be present at this the most important meeting of its kind in the year.

Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

WILL INTERDICT DRUNKARDS

Magistrate H. Frank Lawrence has had several cases of drunkenness before him recently, and in every case he has imposed a fine of $20 and costs. This is the lowest penalty. The magistrate warned each of the accused that he regarded them as advance agents of prohibition, and he would, as it lay within his power, interdict every man who could not carry his liquor like a gentleman.

PENHOLD NOTES

The annual meeting of St. George's Anglican church was held at Norman Stewart's on Friday. Taking into consideration the kind of year that has just passed, the reports showed the church to be in a good financial standing.

J. E. Hives was again chosen as Rector's Warden, and A. Wood was elected People's Warden. Last year's vestry were re-elected. The wardens were chosen as delegates to the annual Synod, with Messrs. Hives and Norman Stewart as substitutes.

Hearty votes of thanks were tendered the organist, Mrs. H. V. Hives, Sunday School Superintendent A. Wood and the Women's Guild for their faithful services during 1924.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Aid was held last Wednesday, when Mrs. Tom Stewart was elected President, Mrs. J. Johnson Vice-President, and Mrs. T. Suffin Secretary-Treasurer. The Missionary Society will not elect officers until it hears further from headquarters.

The annual school meeting took place in the school on Saturday, with a fair attendance of ratepayers. The chairwoman, Mrs. McDougall, spoke with regret of the resignation of the Secretary, Mr. A. Woods, as she had found him very faithful in his work.

A. Wood was elected as trustee to to take the place of Mrs. McDougall, whose term has expired.

A vote of thanks was passed to the members of the defunct Maple Leaf Club for their donation of seven dollars to the school. Principal Martin had purchased "The Fathers of Confederation," with the money, and it hangs in the high school room.

A number of the members of Waskasoo I.O.O.F. Lodge, No. 16, of Red Deer, came down last Tuesday to take part in the installation of the officers of Penhold Lodge, No. 38, the following being installed:

N.G., Rev. McAllister; V.G., E. W. Sharman; J.P.G., A. Wood; R.S., H. Scott; P.S., J. Simpson; Treasurer W. T. Lee; Warden, A. Weaver; Conductor, J. Ritchie.

An enjoyable time was then had at a supper served by the local Rebekahs at the home of Sister Barton.

Those who were down from Red Deer were R. C. Stone, D.G.M.; I. Kenyon, P.G.; A. Bone, G.M.; Brothers C. Card, C. G. Munson and Dale.

Mr. England has resigned as manager of the Co-Op. store, and Mr. Wm. Grier, former storekeeper here, has been engaged in his place.

The annual meeting of the Penhold branch of the Red Cross will be held at Mrs. Wood's on Thursday, January 22, at 2.30 p.m. Will all members please try to be present.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. I. was held on Jan 8th with about a dozen present. A special program was broadcast by the Herald for the Calgary W. I. Mrs. Gerrard, their president, extended hearty New Year's greetings to all, after which a program of music was enjoyed. Mrs. McClung's New Year's message did not broadcast clearly, which was a disappointment to all present.

Special thanks are due Mr. W. Hoyle, who supplied the radio outfit and made it possible for Penhold to listen in.

BIRTHS

At Red Deer, on January 4, 1925, to Mr and Mrs. C. R. Clemens, of Federal a son.

At Red Deer, on January 4, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Ben Sevdy, a son.

BUSINESS LOCALS

St. Luke's W.A. will hold a Valentine tea on Saturday, Feb. 4th.

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The Best Furniture Co. do picture framing well and reasonable.

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The Methodist Ladies Aid will hold a tea and sale of cooking in the church parlor on Saturday, Jan. 21st.

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The regular monthly meeting of the G.W.V.A. will be held to-morrow (Thursday) night at 8 o'clock.

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One of the most enjoyable events of the season—U.F.A. dance, Friday, January 30th. Bone's Orchestra.

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L. A. Parry, the auctioneer, is making his headquarters at George Lindsay's office, and phone 65 will always reach him.

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The Best Furniture Co. are giving away a fine, large, useful calendar. If you have not already received yours, call or write for one.

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Hospital supporters who pay the $6.00 tax during January get hospital service for $2.00 per day. Non-supporters pay $4.00 per day and $5.00 or $10.00 for use of operating room. See advt.

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The Catholic Women's League will hold the last of their card parties on Wednesday, January 28th, at 8.30 p.m., in the McBride Hotel. Admission 50c. The grand aggregate prizes for the season for bridge and five hundred will be presented as well as the prizes for the evening.

NOTED SPORTSMAN IN RED DEER

Jimmie Bennie, of Swift Current, manager of Tommy Rogers, who defends his welter-weight title here on Thursday has arrived in Red Deer, accompanied by the champion. Mr. Bennie has been called the Tex Rickard of Canada by the Calgary Albertan owing to the intensive interest he has taken in the promoting of sports.

Mr. Bennie reports that Rogers is in excellent condition, and will do his utmost to defend his title.

Mr. McNeil, of the Rex, has informed The News that tickets can be bought now at either the G.W.V.A. or Jack Fulton's. All indications point to a bumper crowd, as the advance sale of tickets has been very brisk.

CONDOR NEWS

(From our own correspondent)

January 12th.

One of the best concerts ever put on at Condor was staged last Friday night by the school children. They had been most efficiently trained by Miss Jackson and were a credit both to their trainer and themselves. The hall was packed with an appreciative audience who nearly all participated in the dance following the concert.

At the annual school meeting held at Condor, H. Bice was elected trustee in the place of Mr. Baker, whose property had been transferred to the Lelieville school district.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Riley arrived home on Friday and were met with a shower of rice and good wishes.

HAYNES HAPPENINGS

(From our own correspondent)

Jan. 10th.

J. B. Cundiff is on the mend after breaking three of his ribs again, Mrs. Primus, of Alix, is staying with her father.

Mr. Bronson really got off for the east last Saturday, after several postponements, but only expects to spend a couple of weeks in Ontario. Bobby Rice is helping Roy for the time being.

Miss Luella Irish left Monday for her school near Eckville. Mrs. Barritt is back on the home job in spite of the deep snow.

Beatrice and Sydney Cundiff are spending a few days in Red Deer, and Sydney may go on to Calgary.

Mr. Dustman was over from Swalwell last week for a day or so.

Gordon and Oliver Rusk both spent a few days of the holidays at home, and Mrs. Burl Calkins was also over from Lacombe for New Year.

Mrs. Sage had the news of her nephew's sudden death at Blackfalds to spoil the holiday.

After the Sunday night service, the folks gathered round and re-organized the Literary for a couple of months, with Charlie Bushnell again as President, Mr. Davison Vice, and Roy Bronson Secretary. With the young fellows on the program committee, Ed Randall, Fred Stone, Art Keeton and Bobby Rice, we'll look forward to some good meetings yet. First meeting, Jan. 23rd.

Coal hauling is breaking the roads down very well so we can get around once more.

The Ladies' Club met Wednesday in the church with Mrs. Dunning and Mrs. Thomson joint hostesses. quiet session, and it was decided to hold a fowl supper in February to give ourselves something to do. After the business a pleasant social hour was spent over the teacups.

Married, at the Manse, Thursday Jan. 8th, by the Rev. Mr. Irish, August Geinger to Agnes Elizabeth Dickson, both of Jones Valley district. The bride and groom were supported by the groom's sister, Mrs. Jensen, and Mr. Jensen. The happy couple will reside on the groom's farm at Saltwood and will be receiving congratulations from their many friends.

Oh, and with two more radios no one need be lonely. Mr. Lakeman's boys have just been installing one in time to hear the holiday music, and Mr. Semiuk has also been putting one up to keep him busy evenings. It's not fair! Santa might have left one for us, too.

The kiddies of the Sunday school are having a party on Friday to make up for no Xmas entertainment this year.

TWENTIETH CENTURY EFFICIENCY

Monday evening, at their regular hour of service, the members of the B.Y.P.U. and their friends had the privilege of listening to Dr. Backus on the subject of Twentieth Century Efficiency. The speaker brought out the fact that efficiency depends upon complete development of the four-fold life, focussing his remarks concernin physical, social, intellectual and spiritual development about the headings health, hand, head and heart.

Other pleasing numbers on the program were a vocal solo by Grace Garries and a piano solo by Eileen Russell.

Candy and apples were served during the social hour that followed.

RED DEER LOSE TWO TO WETASKIWIN

Since our last issue Red Deer has played Wetaskiwin twice in the Big Four Hockey League, losing both games, the first by a score of 8-4 and the second by 4-2.

Red Deer played at Wetaskiwin on Thursday night, and were without the services of Malcolm, Pugh and McBride. Pete Johnson pluckily attempted to play goal, though only taking the bandages off his hand on the trip up, and he was not up to his usual form.

The game, though appearing slightly one-sided from the score, was very even and fast skating on both sides made a good game for the spectators. Referee Summers had an easy night only having to hand out 1 one-minute penalty.

Johnson, Carpenter, Martin, W Reid, Weber, Dell, Asmundson and Geo. Reid composed Red Deer's team

SATURDAY NIGHT'S GAME

The return game on Saturday night brought out the boys determined to win the honor from Wetaskiwin, but after a very hard game, in which they fought all the way through, were forced to accept defeat by 4-2.

The score was 2-0 in favor of the northerners at the end of the first period. Red Deer came back undaunted in the second, scoring two, and Wetaskiwin one, leaving both the score standing 3-2 at the beginning of the third, it was anybody's game, but Wetaskiwin slipped in No. 4 from a long shot and then played a heavy defence game, and, try as they might, Red Deer had to be content with the brace of goals secured in the second, though they had Mullins working overtime. Bob Cox, the old war-horse, was between the posts for Red Deer and, considering his lack of practice, played a good game.

Red Deer: Goal, Cox; defence, Carpenter, Martin; forwards, Reid, Weber, Dell; subs., Pugh, Asmundson.

Wetaskiwin: Goal, J. Mullen; defence, Garlough, Marker; forwards Walker, Dingle, Girling; subs., R. Mullen, Bubbra.

Referee—F. Smith.

Keep January 30th open—U. F. A dance in the Armouries.

St. Luke's W.A. will hold a Valentine tea on Saturday, Feb. 4th.

NORTH RED DEER

The statutory meeting of the Council of the village of North Red Deer was held on Monday night. A. Donnelly was re-elected Reeve for 1925 S. Pamely was appointed Secretary, and Dr. P. L. Backus Medical Health Officer.

After the Council meeting a public meeting of the ratepayers was held. About twenty, or half, the resident ratepayers were present. Most of the discussion revolved around the outrageous situation which the village is in with regard to the Mothers' Allowance Act. They have to pay to the government in support of four women with the probability of a fifth. In 1924 one-half the revenue of the village went for this purpose, compelling the abolition of their street lighting and all improvement work. Nothing definite was settled by the discussion.

The reeve expressed himself as being in favor of putting on an improvement tax, but the matter will come up again in June.

After considerable discussion along other lines, the meeting adjourned.

CURLING NEWS

Three rinks left yesterday to take part in the Lacombe Bonspiel. They are as follows: R. Leslie, Geo. Norris, P. C. Pederson, J. G. Fulton skip; Jas. Krause, D. S. Smith, P. E Graham, H. C. Munn skip; Judge Mahaffy, Alex Robertson, F. W. Galbraith, P. E. Kent skip. Some of the jewellery should come to Red Deer.

C. D. Locke's rink, consisting of J. Welsh lead; W. J. Kirkpatrick, second; A. R. Gibson, third, and himself as the guiding star, carried off the honors offered by the Club at Christmas, after a hectic finish with H. C Munn. Starting the eleventh end Locke was six down, but scored a three and a four on the next two ends to bring the score 13-12, at which Gaelic shouts rent the air.

Games are played every night, and the competitions are getting well under way. Some promising new curlers have joined up. Some more would be welcome. Some of the old timers want to be allowed the ice on Saturday afternoons and to play in the Bonspiel for a smaller fee, and the request seems practicable.

Red Deer's big annual Bonspiel starts February 10. Prizes are going to be fine and the ice will be in shape under one roof. The ice has been in splendid shape this year, and unless a warm spell interferes a splendid tourney will result.

Don't miss the [illegible] Armouries, Friday, January 30th.

SCHOOL BOARD

The first 1925 meeting of the School Board was held on Tuesday night of last week in the Board room, Chairman W. E. Payne presiding. Present Trustees Stephenson, Berry, Broughton, Carswell, Secretary Pamely and Principals Locke and Welsh.

The matter of the Secretary-Treasurer's salary came up for settlement. Mr. Pamely has been an invaluable secretary, taking a great deal of work from the shoulders of the property committee and giving valuable advice and assistance along building and repair lines. He wanted an increase of $10.00 per month, but the Board were only agreeable to granting an increase of $5.00 per month, which brings the salary up to $20.00.

The salary of the janitor of the North Red Deer School was raised to the same figure that the man similarly employed in the South Red Deer School gets, namely, $30.00 per month. This is owing to the fact that the work is now practically identical at each school.

The Chief Inspector wrote advising that in cases where a pupil over twenty-one years of age attended the school the parents of such pupil could not be looked to for payment of school fees. The case in point was that of Miss Eva Underwood, who is of age and owns a house in the city so that she can attend the school. Being a renter and of age she is of course not liable for any school fees.

In accordance with the 1924 amendment to the School Act, a resolution was adopted that from and after January 1st, 1925, Grade XII. pupils from outside the School District attending the High School here be charged at the rate of $4.00 per month. The former rate was $3.00.

Trustee Stephenson, chairman of the property committee, stated that he had been interviewed by Inspector Gibson and Father McMillan of the Hebridean. A school is being opened by the Hebrideans near the old Industrial School, and as they cannot levy taxes, there is trouble financing the school. The Inspector was aware that the Board had several old double desks which were unsuitable for present use and of which it has been found impossible to dispose, and Father McMillan requested the loan of some of these desks. He expected about 32 pupils. On motion of Trustee Carswell, the Board authorized the loaning of twenty or less of the desks, said desks to be returnable in good condition on demand.

Some discussion took place as to the fire escape leading from the assembly hall. The Principal thought it would be dangerous for children to use it as the stairs in it were so steep and the handrail so low. In the spring the Board may have it improved by closing it in.

Chairman Payne stated that he would be absent from the city on the night of the school presentation of medals, and accordingly Trustees Stephenson and Carswell were appointed to present the scholastic and sport medals respectively.

The Board were very pleased with the way in which the new pavement across the lower hall of the Central School worked out. It not only warmed the hall but all the lower rooms.

Accounts

The following accounts were passed for payment:—

Alberta Government Phones, $4.65; Customs dept., $2; Postmaster, $2; R. Maben, $10.35; Western General Electric Co., Red Deer, $1.20; Postage, 60c; E. L. Jackson, $5; Miss Kate Carswell, $15; John McVicar, $3.60; H. S. Haste, $1.50; F. W. Wolfe, $33.95; R. Robb, $4; Porter's Pharmacy, $4.65; H. H. Humber, $6.50; E. G. Johns & Co., $8.35; Gaetz-Ewart Co., $11.55; Gaetz-Cornett Co., $10; G. T. Lindsay, $20; Atlas Lumber Co., $152; Hone & Mayberry, $255.10; H. P. Metcalf, $10; F. E. Mitchell, $2.

The Board adjourned about ten o'clock.

Now is the time to have those Christmas photos framed up before they get soiled. Let the Best Furniture Co. do them for you.

CHURCH NOTICES

First Baptist Church, Sunday January 18th: 11 a.m., sermon theme, The importance of little things. 12, noon Sunday school. 7.30 p.m., sermon theme, the greatest question. Hed Page Ridge: Sunday school 2 p.m.; church service 3 p.m. Rev. Ellis L. Jackson, pastor.

St. Luke's (Anglican) Church, January 18. 2nd Sunday after the Epiphany: Divine service as follows—11 a.m., Matins and Litany; 2.30 p.m., Sunday school; 7.30 p.m., Holy Baptism; 7.30 p.m., Choral Evensong and sermon. Revd. G. McComas, M.A., Rector.

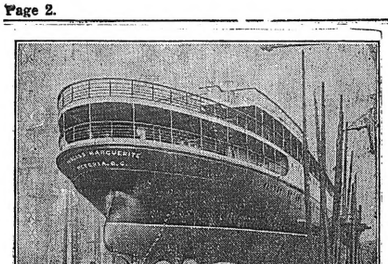
Christian Science Society: Services Sunday at 11 a.m. and Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. The public are cordially invited to attend.

The Salvation Army: Sunday—Meeting Holiness meeting, 11 a.m.; afternoon, Sunday School, 3 p.m.; night, Salvation meeting, 7.30 p.m. Thursday—Salvation meeting, 8 p.m. Friday—Song meeting, 8 p.m., at Mrs. W. Babcock's, No. 5, Red Deer. Special meeting, Monday, January 19, 8 p.m., conducted by Major J. Gosling of Edmonton. Everyone welcome.

Lutheran services in our chapel on Third St. North at 7.30 p.m., unless it storms or turns very cold, then in the afternoon at 3 p.m. Topic: "The Herald of the King." Sunday school at 2.30 p.m. Services at Burnt Lake at 2.30 p.m. The community is kindly invited. "He that is of God heareth God's Word."—J. E. Hermann, Pastor.

The Methodist Church, Pastor Rev. J. W. Churchill: Services at 11 a.m. and 7.30 p.m.; Sunday school at 2.30 p.m., 11 a.m. Sermon, "The Lord's Prayer." 7.30 p.m., "An Illuminated Cross Service." Appropriate hymns. Service, "How does the cross of Jesus help us?"

Knox Church, Jan. 18th: Public worship at the usual hours. Morning subject, "Predestination"; 2.30 p.m., Sabbath school. Evening subject: "The time of the day that makes or breaks character." 7.15-7.30 p.m., service of song.



JUST BEFORE LAUNCHING

The "Princess Marguerite." Built at Clydebank, with a sister ship, the "Princess Kathleen," for service between Vancouver, Victoria and Seattle, under the Canadian Pacific flag. The new vessels, of 6,000 tons, were specially designed for service on the British Columbia coast and, being capable of maintaining a speed of 22½ knots, will considerably reduce the time between the mainland and Canada's western playground—Vancouver Island.

Here and There

A recent survey of prospective expansion among the mines of Northern Ontario shows that many millions of dollars will be spent on mills and mill supplies in 1925. According to this survey, mill expenditures totalling $7,350,000 are contemplated.

Hunters patronizing territories in the Algoma district of the Canadian Pacific Railway had a very successful season in 1924, according to a report recently issued. Moose numbering 173, deer numbering 2,183 and approximately 7,050 partridge were secured and the number of hunters ran into several thousand. The figures quoted include those for Kipawa, Temiskaming, Mattawa, Sturgeon Falls, Pakesley, Sault Ste. Marie, Chapleau, Sudbury, Schreiber and Nipigon, all exceptionally good game areas.

More Christmas trees were shipped from Nova Scotia for the 1924 festive season than ever before, according to figures just compiled. Twenty-two car-loads from territory bordering the Dominion Atlantic Railway alone were shipped to outside points and approximately 150 car-loads left the province generally.

A splendid season of winter sports is expected at Quebec this year, as more and more people are becoming interested in these healthy recreations in Canada and the United States. In connection with the activities of the Chateau Frontenac, the Canadian Pacific's great hotel in the Ancient Capital, a number of new features will add to the attractions Quebec has to offer. These include inter-club, inter-collegiate and international competitions in all winter sports, to be held under the auspices of the recently formed Frontenac Winter Sports Club, which will award the successful participants with trophies of various kinds and attractive gold, silver and bronze medals.

The names of the winners of the David prizes for literature, awarded to the writers of the best French and English books entered in the competition for these prizes, have just been announced by the committee of judges. In the French section the first prize, $1,500, went to Abbe Camille Roy for his book "A l'Hombre des Erables," while in the English section Marjorie Grant Cook won first prize with her book "Another Way of Love."

The most successful year enjoyed by the Canadian Pacific Great Lakes Steamship Service in freight shipments since 1913 is reported by Mr. Duff, manager of that service, for the season lately closed. The whole fleet of package freighters for the first time since the outbreak of the Great War, has been constantly employed during the seven months in which the lakes are open. A feature was the very large increase in the export flour business, some 75 per cent of the 300,000 tons of flour carried eastward by the service having been destined for export. October was a particularly good month, the ships having transported in that month 58,000 tons of eastward bound milled stuffs and grain alone.

TIT-BITS

God's mercy is limited only by our willingness to accept.

Failure does not end things. It is the place from which perseverence can start in a new beginning.

"True bravery is shown by per forming without witnesses what one might be capable of doing before the whole world."

CAN'T KID HIM

A pilot, while flying, fell into a canal. A man on the towing path promptly dived in and brought the pilot safely to land.

"Ah, my preserver; you've saved my life!" gasped the pilot. "How can I repay you, my preserver?"

"Nah, then, gov'nor, that's all right; but don't kid a bloke 'cos 'e works at a jam factory."

WEEKLY NEWS BULLETIN

Issued by Publicity Commissioner, Government of Alberta.

Prize Grain for Seed Fair

It is expected that practically all of the seed grain exhibitors showing from Alberta at the recent international Show at Chicago will be exhibitors at the Annual Provincial Seed Fair which takes place in the Lancaster Building, Calgary, January 20 to 23. The annual convention of the Alberta Seed Growers will be held at the same time, when important topics will be discussed by prominent agriculturists of the Province.

The railways have arranged for special rates for delegates attending the annual seed convention, on the same basis as for delegates to the U. F. A. Convention taking place at the same time. These special rates will be good going January 16 to 22, and returning January 27.

Public Invests Savings With Government

The second largest year in the history of the provincial savings certificates system was recorded in 1924, when the people of the province, invested savings with the provincial government to the extent of $6,308,135.35. That is the largest total ever invested in any one year, but owing to the fact that five percent. issues were withdrawn by the government during the year, the net total remaining with the government after all withdrawals were deducted was $894,595.56, which is the largest net total since the year 1920. The total withdrawals during the year aside from the withdrawals of the five per cent. issues were $5,413,539.69. The figures of total investments quoted show that this form of savings investment is growing ever more popular.

Liquor Profits for 1924

The total profits in the sale of liquor through government vendors and breweries for the eight months of 1924 in which the new liquor act was in effect was $1,134,144, according to the preliminary estimate issued by the Attorney-General, only approximate figures being available. The total is made up as follows:

Government Vendors' Stores	$682,460
Beer Taxes	279,464
Licence Fees	89,103
Permit Account	83,117
	$1,134,144

Hudson Bay Plans Building Program

In conjunction with the carrying out of building plans in other cities on the prairies, the Hudson Bay Company announces the purchase of additional property in Edmonton, and the decision to proceed with the erection shortly of large additions to their present store premises. The company erected a large seven-story store in Calgary some years ago, but the building program instituted at that time was interrupted by the war.

New College Planned

A new Roman Catholic University Hall, to cost a quarter of a million dollars, and to be affiliated with the Alberta University, is planned for Edmonton, it is announced.

Increased Shipments

Increased shipments in all commodities for the past year have been recorded by both provincial government railways in Alberta. The A. & G.W. during the year handled 1120 cars of commodities shipped out as compared with 894 the previous year, while on the Lacombe and Northwestern the figures are 1190 cars for 1924 compared with 1678 cars for the previous year. Considerable more grain and livestock shipments were handled by both lines than in the previous year.

Irrigation Course

Plans are going forward for the special course in irrigation to be held at the Dominion Experimental Farm at Lethbridge for one week commencing February 2, under the auspices of the Dominion Experimental Farms Branch and the Provincial Department of Agriculture. The course will be similar to that held last year in which such keen interest was taken by those present. Addresses by Hon. Geo. Hoadley on February 2, and among those who will give instruction and addresses will be S. G. Carlyle, Livestock Commissioner, Prof. Sackville, University, Prof. Carlyle, Manager E.P. Ranch, J. M. Dykes, poultry specialist at the Experimental Farm, Lethbridge, E. E. Eisenhauer, M. L. Freng, Chas. Giffen, of the Department of Agriculture, Don Bark, of Brooks, O. S. Longman, of Raymond, and W. H. Fairfield, Supt. Experimental Farm, and others.

Work of Provincial Labor Bureau

During the past year the various branches of the Provincial Labor Bureau throughout the Province placed a total of 33,941 men in positions, chiefly on farms, and also placed 7,789 women. The cost per placement was 88c. The number of placements was considerably lower than the previous year, owing to the fact that a large number of extra harvest hands were placed in the field during the heavy crop of 1923.

Good Attendance at Dairy Course

More than a score of creamery workers from various parts of the Province are attending the special dairy course at the University, which opened last Monday and will continue until Sat., Jan. 24.

Conferences on Railways and Sugar Beets

Premier Greenfield, Hon. V. W. Smith, Minister of Railways, and John Callaghan, Deputy Minister of Railways, were in attendance at the conference of railway heads and Dominion Government officials being held in Ottawa to decide upon some policy for extension of northern Alberta railways. The Premier and Hon. Mr. Smith also attended the conference held in Winnipeg between officials of the Utah-Idaho Sugar Company and the C.P.R. to decide upon special rates on sugar beets which will permit the sugar company to establish a sugar plant at Raymond, Alberta.

Import Fine Sheep

One of the largest herds of purebred registered Rambouiette sheep ever imported into Alberta was unloaded at Raymond on December 24th. The flock included 1339 animals for the ranch of Ray Knight at Raymond.

WIT AND HUMOR

HE SEIZES ANYTHING

"What is an Opportunist?"

"One who meets the wolf at the door, and appears the next day in a fur coat."

COMMON DISEASE

"Why do you call your flivver Pyorrhea?"

"Because four out of every five have one."

TWO LOOKS

"Did you notice that insolent conductor looking at you as if you hadn't paid your fare?"

"Yes, and did you notice me looking at him as if I had?"

SLATED

"What is Mr. Baldwin going to do about coal?" asks a contemporary. The same as the rest of us, we suppose. Order coal, and then take what they send him.

DIAGNOSED

Young Man (to court clerk)—"I—ah—say—sir—"

Clerk (to assistant)—"Henry, bring out one of those marriage-license blanks.'

OR MORGUE

"What can be done with the by-products of gasoline?" asks a contemporary. Usually, they are taken to the nearest hospital.

PREPAREDNESS

"Have a cigar?"

"No, thanks—sworn off smoking."

"Well, put one in your pocket for to-morrow."

CHARITABLE

Artist—"I have decided to present my latest work to some charitable institution. Which do you suggest?"

Friend—"The Asylum for the Blind."

REALISM

"I say, cook," said five-year-old Marjorie, who was feeling hungry, "let's play I'm an awful-looking tramp. I'll ask you to give me a nice piece of pie, and you get frightened and give it to me."

GOOD WORKER

Husband—"Telling lies is not one of my failings."

Wife—"No, dear, it's one of your few successes."

THE WORLD MOVES

An explorer says that widows in New Guinea cover themselves with pipeclay and mourn their husbands for a year. In civilized countries most of them cover themselves with powder and go in search of another.

PRACTISE MAKES PERFECT

A barber reported to work two hours late.

"What's the big idea?" demanded the boss.

"I'm sorry," replied the barber, "but while I was shaving I talked myself into a shampoo, haircut and massage."

TIME FOR PRAYER

The custom officer eyed the bottle suspiciously. "It's only ammonia," stammered the returning passenger.

"Oh, is it?" said the custom officer, taking a long swallow. It was.

COLORS IN GREASE

Lady (to clerk)—"I want to buy some lard."

Grocer—"Pail?"

Lady—"I didn't know it came in two shades."

FIRST AND LAST

Defeated Jockey—"Well, anyhow, I wasn't last. There were two horses behind me."

Disgusted Supporter—"Garn'. Them was the first two in the next race."

BOUND TO WORK

"Why do you want limburger cheese packed in your lunch?" asked the grocer.

"Because, papa," answered his truthful little son, "I want the teacher to send me home."

THEIR POOR CHOICE

Pearl—"Mamma, if I get married, will I have a husband like papa?"

Mother—"Yes, dear."

Pearl—"An' if I don't marry, must I be an old maid like Aunt Jane?"

Mother—"Yes, dear."

Pearl—"Mamma, we women don't get many chances in this world, do we?"

TALK ON DIPHTHERIA

(Continued from Page 1)

Europe and America, but is rather rare in Japan and India. It is said to occur more commonly in seasons following a lessened rainfall.

Second—Is there any specific treatment?

In 1890 diphtheria antitoxin was discovered by Behring, a German, Kitasato, a Japanese, and Roux, a Frenchmen. It came into general use in 1895, and is now the universal and most effective remedy for diphtheria. Most Boards of Health supply the antitoxin free to the public.

Diphtheria antitoxin is made as follows:

Young, vigorous horses, carefully tested against disease, are used. They are injected first with antitoxin and then with gradually increasing doses of diphtheria toxin. This procedure forms antitoxin in the blood of the horses. This is tested at the end of six weeks or two months, and, if satisfactory, the horses are bled, the serum of the blood separated and refined for use by a special process, which renders it fit for use in human beings The best of horses continue to furnish a high-grade serum for from two to four years.

Antitoxin is a Certain Cure if Given Early Enough

In 1894 before antitoxin came into use in Ontario there were 1675 deaths, and in 1918, notwithstanding the increase of population, there were but 335, the rate per 100,000 of population being respectively 50.3 and 12, or a saving of over 93 lives in every 100,000 of our people. I said antitoxin is a certain cure if given early enough. Many cases, however, are not recognized as serious by the parents and a physician is not called until the case has gone for several days. Every hour of delay adds to the danger. During the period 1910-14 inclusive there was but one death in every hundred in cases treated on the first day, five on the second, six on the third, and gradually increasing to eleven on the seventh day of the disease. The moral is, "every case of sore throat in a child should at once be seen by a properly qualified physician." In no other disease is delay a greater danger.

Third—Is there any way of knowing whether a person exposed to the disease will contract it or not?

The answer to this question is that by means of a test known as the Schick Test, we can tell if any person is liable to contract diphtheria or not. This is a highly important matter because in spite of the vigilance of parents, or the skill of doctors, some cases of the disease will fail to be discovered until too late for treatment to be of the greatest service.

The Schick Test is made by injecting into the skin of the forearm of the child about three drops of the test solution. It is not painful and causes no illness or discomfort. If the child is susceptible to diphtheria, a slight redness will appear about the place of injection in 24 to 36 hours. If no redness appears the test shows that the child is immune to diphtheria and no protective measures are necessary.

Fourth—Is there any way in which a person may be rendered immune to diphtheria?

The Schick Test will pick out those who will, if exposed, contract the disease.

Ordinary diphtheria antitoxin in a dose of 600 to 1000 units will give an immunity for 2 or 3 weeks and will suffice in the case of contacts in a house where diphtheria has broken out, but this precaution gives but a short period of safety and is not satisfactory for the great mass of children. In order to prevent diphtheria in susceptible children as shown by the Schick test, three doses with a week's interval of about 15 to 20 drops of a mixture known as toxin-antitoxin is injected under the skin. In the course of one to three months most of the cases are rendered immune to diphtheria for the rest of their lives.

This form of treatment has been found most effectual in the protection of school children of New York, where it is extensively used, in Philadelphia, and other cities of the United States and Canada. This preventive treatment of diphtheria is entirely without danger, has no ill-effect whatever, causes practically no discomfort to the child, and when its use becomes universal, will have the effect of making this dreadful disease as rare as small-pox.

Time will not permit me to tell you of the fight scientists have made against other diseases. Before closing this paper, however, I would like to mention briefly what has been done in the case of typhoid fever chiefly because of the difference presented by the treatment of this latter disease and diphtheria. There is no specific antitoxin for typhoid as is the case in diphtheria, but we have a serum that will prevent typhoid just as toxin-antitoxin will prevent diphtheria. Scientists discovered that killed bacteria injected into the blood had not the power to produce the poison of disease but had the power to produce an antibody that would act as an antitoxin if the individual was later infected with living bacteria. And so came into being the long list of serums we have to combat disease. A serum is nothing more than the bacteria of the disease, killed by heat and suspended in a sterile, standardized solution—in the case of typhoid serum there is a billion to the cubic centimeter of the solution—and thus made ready to be injected with perfect safety into the human body.

The efficiency of serum therapy was well illustrated in the late war. It is safe to say, with the living conditions such as they were in France, that without typhoid serum and antitetanic serum the war could not have lasted beyond the first year or eighteen months because the opposing armies would have been dead either of typhoid fever or tetanus. As it was these diseases were rarely heard of. The Canadians were the first to insist that all their troops going to France should get typhoid serum and only one Canadian in France contracted typhoid. Later it was discovered that he in some way had evaded the doctor now and got over without his serum.

A comparison of the mortality lists in some of the wars during the last half century or a little better, proves what modern medicine has done for humanity. In the Crimean war ten men died of disease to one of wounds. The last record the British army made before the Great War was in the South African war, when four died of disease to one of wounds. The best record any army ever made previous to the World war was the Japanese in the Japanese-Russian war, when two died of disease to one of wounds. During the late war the British casualty lists showed that ten died of wounds to one of disease.

HOEY DOES NOT SEE MUCH GAIN FROM LIBERALS

Trying for Three Years to Learn Mr. King's Policies

Brandon, January 9.—If the Canadian confederation cannot be maintained on a basis of equity and justice to all its divisions, why should it be maintained at all? R. A. Hoey, Progressive member of parliament for Springfield, asked this question Thursday night at Brandon, after he had outlined to the convention of the United Farmers of Manitoba the situation which, he thought, made it imperative that something be done speedily in the interests of national unity. Why, he asked, maintain the confederation on the basis of injustice and discrimination?

Mr. Hoey said he had returned recently from a tour of the west, and he found many people who believed that unity would be secured only by political division. "We all know," he said, "that the momentum is growing. If we want political division, let us say so." He had come to the conclusion that western Canada should organize for its own interests and those of the maritime provinces and demand of Ontario and Quebec equitable treatment.

Wants a United West

"I have come to the conclusion," declared Mr. Hoey, "that this experiment should be made as a last resource; I would have western Canada present a united front from the Great Lakes to the Rocky Mountains, and, if possible, to the Pacific Coast. And I don't care what the party is called provided it extends to urban centres the same democratic form of organization which we have in rural parts. All the people, rural and urban, whose interests after all are almost idential, would present a united front in the interests of western Canada.

"I feel that the time is ripe for this united west with a national program which will recognize the prairie provinces and the maritime provinces as part of the dominion, and recognize that these sections will not indefinitely remain in the confederation to be dominated by the mid-eastern interests.

Western Demands

"This western national party should present the following demands: Ambassadorial representation in Washington at once to work out the closest possible trade relationship between Canada and the United States; a fiscal policy based on the needs of the treasury rather than on the policy of protection; immediate completion of the Hudson Bay railway; return of the natural resources to Western Canada; a freight rate structure equitable to all sections of Canada, and measurably permanent; a national policy to take into account the legitimate claims of all other sections of the dominion."

"I would send to Ottawa," continued Mr. Hoey, "the best men in Western Canada to advocate this policy. If confederation can't be maintained on that basis, I can't see any reason for maintaining it. If we don't maintain it, we can cut ourselves off, and the east can have all the protection it wants, while the west can have a fiscal policy to conform to the desires of its own heart. If confederation can't be preserved on this basis of equity and justice, why this camouflage; why maintain it on a basis of injustice and discrimination?"

Previously, Mr. Hoey had spoken of the record of the agrarian movement in Canada and had given it credit for considerable accomplishment. He acknowledged the sincerity and good intentions of Canada's three political leaders. Mr. Meighen, he said, was perhaps the ablest parliamentarian Canada had produced, but he had an Alice-in-Wonderland policy with protection his panacea for all ills.

Mr. King's "Policies"

"What about Premier King?" continued Mr. Hoey. "I heard him speak in Winnipeg recently, and it was the address of an elocutionist. There was not an arresting sentence or a stimulating thought. What is the Liberal policy? I have been trying for three years to find out, and am more mystified than ever.

"The government yields to pressure that is exerted most persistently from whatever quarter it comes. The Progressives are sometimes accused of leaning towards the Liberals, but in the last budget the Liberals had no choice but were forced to lean towards the Progressives. I don't think they deserve much credit for that last budget for taking the only course which could save them from disaster." The speaker said he did not see how Mr. King could meet even the immediate demands of the west without losing considerable support in the east.

If the measures he advocated were not adopted, said Mr. Hoey, he predicted that the next federal election would see the return from the west of small Liberal and Conservative groups which would be dominated by their eastern associates, and a Progressive group somewhat weakened in numbers and, therefore, of lessened influence.

SOLOMON'S CAVE

Solomon's Cave, an old quarry from which the stone was taken to build Solomon's Temple, is situated just outside Jerusalem, in the hills of Judea. All that is left of the temple is the idea embodied in a model of it. On its site stands the Mosque of Omar. But the cave remains unchanged, its walls echoing the voices from out the ages and bearing testimony to the foundation of the Masonic lodge.

In the early ages the laws of religion and philosophy and those of architecture were very closely united in thought, and it was held that these laws were secrets to be known only to the few. The working tools of the builder became emblems of moral truth and the arts and crafts were secrets jealously guarded. There must have been a secret order of architects who built the Temple of Solomon and opened friendly relations with foreign nations, made of the organization an international fraternity. Great material help was given him by Hiram I. of Tyre and the society of Phoenician architects in the construction of the temple.

When Diocletian began his reign he determined to destroy Christianity and began the persecution of all religious secret orders. For a time the builders, owing to their value and services to the state, were exempt from these laws of suppression and enjoyed special privileges, but gradually, during the Dark Ages, they were forced into more secrecy, taking refuge in caves and secluded places to hold their meetings.

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ALBERTA PEOPLE SPEND $12,000,000 A YEAR ON LIQUOR

MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION SPENT IN A YEAR ON BEER

Every Man, Woman and Child in Alberta on Average Spends $20 a Year on Liquor

The people of Alberta are spending at the rate of $1,000,000 a month in liquor—in the vendors' stores and in the licensed places throughout the province.

This estimate is made following the announcement made by the government of the profits secured during the first seven and a half months during the operation of the act.

The total amount of beer sold realized $4,471,484 for the seven and a half months. The government by a tax of 12½ cents a gallon on beer realized $279,464. That means a sale of 2,235,718 gallons. There are 20 glasses to the gallon or $44,714,240, retailed at 10 cents or $4,471,424. That is the volume sold during seven and a half months, which at the same rate would mean $7,200,000 for the twelve months.

The Hard Liquor

The government made during the same time $682,460 on hard liquor. That is the government's profit. It is difficult to figure out closely the value of the liquor sold. It is understood, however, that the government did not propose to make more than a 20 percent. profit. The government profit was at the rate of $90,000 a month or $1,080,000. Estimating that at not more than 20 percent. of the value of the liquor sold, the total amount sold was $5,400,000.

The average expenditure in liquor for every man, woman and child is $20 a year.

The Calgary hotelmen are complaining seriously of the wholesale price of beer. They say that the Alberta brewers, after paying all taxes, which amount to $8.89 a barrel, receive $15.20 a barrel. In Quebec the brewers pay government taxes amounting to $5.58 a barrel, and charge the purchasers $12.56 per barrel, which includes the cost of manufacture and profit. Hotelmen say the public is paying too much for beer, and they are asking an amendment for the right to import beer.

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SONS OF ENGLAND

At the regular meeting of Lodge Red Deer No. 6, S.O.E., held in the Orange Hall on Wednesday evening, January 7, the installation ceremony was performed by D.D.G. Pres. A. G. Ayres. The officers for the year are:—

Past President—T. S. Miller
President—W. Beaumont
Vice-President—C. R. Castle
Chaplain—J. W. Broughton
Secretary—Geo. M. England
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Organist—P. E. Kent

This Lodge is once more in a flourishing condition, and there is every prospect of building up its membership to a standard approaching that of pre-war years.

Meetings are held in the Orange Hall on the first and third Wednesdays of each month, the first being a strictly business meeting, the second meeting of each month taking the form of either a strictly social, or social and business meeting.

K. OF P. OFFICERS

At their last meeting, Red Deer Lodge, Knights of Pythias, elected the following officers for 1925:—

C.C.—Harold Lavender
V.E.—R. E. Barrett
Prelate—J. A. N. Choate
M. of W.—C. Thompson
M. at A.—H. V. Dancocks
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THE RED DEER NEWS

GINGER GROUP MAY LEAD IN ASSAULT ON INDIAN POLICY

Administration of Lands in West to Raise Storm at Next Session

When parliament assembles next month one of the first storms to break will be over the administration of Indian lands in Alberta, according to information obtained at Ottawa.

The attack on the government will be made, it is thought, by the Labor party and the members of the Ginger group of the Progressives.

The government is well aware of the impending attack, and is quite confident that when all the facts are known no blame or censure will be attached to the policy of the Indian department.

Consent of Indians

In the broad aspect the dispute between the government and its critics is as to whether or not the government can dispose temporarily or otherwise of Indian reserve property without first obtaining the consent of the Indians by vote or otherwise.

In particular, the dispute centres on the Peigan reserve, southwest of Macleod, Alberta, where grazing lands have been leased by the government to ranchers and other persons at a rate of six cents per acre per year.

Not Consulted

The Peigan Indians were never consulted when these lands were leased.

The attack upon the government, however, will not be confined to this ground. It is urged by the members of the Ginger group, notably Mr. Coote, M.P. for Macleod, that the rate of six cents per acre is much too low, in some quarters it is suggested that patronage is partly the explanation of this rate.

In answer to these criticisms, Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior, states that the Indian Act gives ample power to dispose of the property in this way.

Too Much Land

He points out that at the present time the Peigan Indians are not nearly numerous enough to use all the land set aside in this reserve, as a matter of fact, they are able to use very little of it.

So soon as they increase in population or develop their present farms to the point where they require more land either for farming or grazing, the reserve will be made available for them.

Leases Cancelled

In this connection, he said, the department already has cancelled leases on sections of the reserve where the land was needed by the Indians. As to the price, he said that he was aware that in war years the rate on leased lands on this reserve has been as high as 30 cents per acre. None of the lessees who had leased land at this figure had been able to pay it, and the result was that the government had only uncollected debts owing to the crown. This had shown that it was possible to lease the land for too much. He was of the opinion that the rate now charged was reason able and that it had this advantage that the government was receiving the money.

EXAMINER'S REVIEW OF PROVINCIAL MARKETS

Calgary, January 8th.

Cattle—

Beef—Calgary had some good cattle and tops were higher than prices following on some; Choice heavy and light steers, $5 to $5.80; good, $4.25 to $4.75; medium, $3.25 to $4; common, $2 to $3. Choice heifers, $4.35 to $4.50; good, $3 to $4. Choice cows, $3.50 to $4.25; good, $3 to $3.25; medium, $2.50 to $3; common, $2 to $2.25; canners, 1.25 to $1.50. Choice bulls, $2 to $2.25; others, $1 to $1.75. Choice veal, $4 to $4.85; common to good, $2 to $3.50. Feeders, Stockers—Market firm, but business not very heavy, top feeders $4.50; others, $3.50 to $4; stocker steers, $2 to $3.50. Stock heifers, $2 to $2.50. Stock cows, $1.50 to $2.25.

Beef—Better quality of cattle and active demand at Edmonton raised prices on good stuff. Choice heavy steers, $5.25 to $5.75; choice light, $5.25 to $5.50; good, $4.75 to $5.25; medium, $4 to $4.50. Choice heifers, $4 to $4.50; good, $3.50 to $4. Choice cows, $3.50 to $3.75; good, $3 to $3.50; medium, $2.75 to $3; common, $2.25 to $2.50; canners, $1.25 to $2 Choice bulls, $2 to 2.25; medium, $1.50 to $1.75; common down to $1.25. Choice calves, $3.50 to $4; others, $2 to $2.50. Feeders, Stockers—Quality of feeders offered poor, and most of half finished going as killers; choice feeders up to $4.50, others down to $3.50; stocker steers, $2 to $3.50. Stocker heifers, $2 to $3. Stock cows, $2 to $2.50.

Hogs—

All markets steady and Calgary sales generally at $9.25 to $9.35, thick smooths, off cars; bacon 10 percent premium.

Edmonton market holding steady and sales regularly at $9.25 to $9.50, thick smooths, off cars; bacon 10 percent premium.

Sheep—

Calgary market stronger on choice, with lambs up to $13; wethers $11 and ewes $8, with range down on quality.

Edmonton receipts light and market hard to establish, but sellers would get up to $12 on lambs, $11 on yearlings, and $8 on fat ewes, as top prices.

Markets irregular during the week. As soon as prices go down exporters get into the market, but are holding back when buyers boost prices.

Butterfat—Butter—Cheese—

Butterfat—Prices unchanged, though some talk of Saskatchewan going down; movement will depend on quantity made and state of markets More cream being delivered since weather improved. Creamery Butter—Production light, and most of Alberta supply going west; prices unchanged. Dairy Butter—Very little reaching central markets. Cheese—Supplies cleaning up well and prices firm.

Poultry—Eggs—

Poultry—Live turkeys down 1c and dressed 2c lower, best dressed birds at 20c and live tops at 15c, ranging down to 13c and 10c for No. 2 of each. Chickens getting stag, 2 and live ones 10c to 12c; fowl unchanged at 7c to 9c; geese, live, 9c; ducks, live, 10c; dressed 14c when No. 1 but No. 2 at 10c. Eggs—No local arrivals of any importance.

Potatoes—

Market firm; local deliveries at Calgary $35 for A grade.

Hay—

Tone of market is firm, but business not heavy yet. Those who will be short of feed should get their supply in time.

Furs—

Some fluctuations in prices, but now at old levels again; market outlook fairly satisfactory; and likely steady until auctions are over.

Hides—

Dealers are reporting tanners more interested in the market, and though not much buying, they are hopeful that market will show better tone soon.

ECKVILLE

January 6, 1925

The auction sale at Mrs. Angle's on Monday was well attended in spite of the stormy weather. Everything sold at a fair price but the live stock. On account of grain shortage in this valley, the hogs sold very cheap. The milch cows sold around $30 each. The horses also sold cheap; one fine team went at $140. Mrs. Angle is going to move to her daughter's, Mrs. Ole Bardenhagen, at Gilby. Mr. Henry Johnson apparently is undecided what he will do in the immediate future. Mr. Glen Smith, who has rented the place, is moving on the same today.

Friends here of John Phathan and family will be glad to know that on December 30 he and Mrs. Phathan, at Rocky Mountain House, were presented with a Christmas present in the form of a big baby boy. Congratulations.

Mr. D. Clausen, who has been home over New Year's holidays, returned to his work yesterday.

Mr. William McHattie, our blacksmith, has installed a radio in his home. He reports he has been very successful in hearing long distance broadcasting. This will make another addition to the six or eight radios already in the village.

It will be remembered that at the first meeting called by the School Inspector in regard to organizing the district school fair on December 3 last, it was decided to meet in the local school on Wednesday, January 21, at the hour of 2:30. The secretary has sent out notices to all the school districts not present at that meeting. All the others will please take notice of this announcement and meet, as no direct notice will be sent. We will be glad to see all the district represented, also their teachers as well. Keep this date in mind.

At the last meteing of the local M.W.A. Lodge, the provincial camp meeting, which will be held at this place in May next, was discussed. There are about 50 camps in Alberta, and they are each expected to send a delegate here to attend this meeting when a delegate will be elected to attend the Head Camp meeting at Milwaukee, Wis., next summer. The meeting elected the following officers for the ensuing term: Ven. Councillor, Alfred Isaacson; Adviser, Homer Isaacson; Banker, Charles Kasper; Escort, C. V. Gustavson; Clerk, L. R. Bertrand; Watchman, Ezra Isaacson; Sentry, H. Mitzner. The installation of officers will take place on January 24, on which occasion the families of the members will be invited to attend the banquet served. A committee has the arrangements in hand.

Miss Winnie Arlendson arrived from her home yesterday and opened her school today. The annual meeting of the ratepayers of the Saima School District will be held on Saturday next, at 2 p.m. The annual meeting of the Eckville School District will also be held on Saturday, January 10, at the same hour.

Mr. Cal Fletcher, who has been employed as clerk at Mr. Sestrap's store for several years, has left Mr. Sestrap's employ. Mr. Sestrap has decided to dispense with the clerk on account of prevailing conditions, and he and Mrs. Sestrap will look after the business. Mr. Fletcher is going to Bentley for a short time and will help to take stock at the Co-op. store on February 1. He is taking a position with Macdonnell's general store at Hespero.

At the installation of the officers of the local Orange Lodge, No. 2027, the officers for the ensuing term were installed by Wor. Bro. Pye, County Master, as follows:—

W.M.—D. C. Sinclair
I.P.M.—Thory Johnson
D.M.—Henry Talson
Chaplain—Alfred Isaacson
R... Sec'y—W. C. Gillies
Fin. Sec'y—A. P. Isaacson
Treasurer—W. Calderwood
First Lecturer—Chas. Mitzner
D. of C.—H. Isaacson
First Committeeman—C. T. Hartsock

County Master Pye, Penhold, paid a visit to this Lodge, and was accompanied by Rt.W. Bros. A. Martin and Geo. M. England, W. Bro. A. S. Shaw, and Bro. Jas. Logan, of Red Deer.



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CONDOR CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT

The annual Christmas tree and entertainment given by the Condor W.I. was held on Saturday, December 27, in conjunction with the Sunday School. The programme included:—

Recitation, "Welcome," by Margaret Porter.
Song, "Merry Bells," Sunday School.
Recitation "Christmas Greetings," by G. Hewitt.
Song and encore by Mrs. Frost.
Recitation, "The Pain Jane Had," by Arthur Fitch.
Dialogue, "Just Mother's Little Girl" by Alberta, Mary and D. Meeres and Signe Negaard.
Recitation, "If Santa Were a Girl," by P. Hastie.
Song, "Peaceful Night," by S.S.
Recitation "Santa Claus," by Mary Clement.
Motion song, "Christmas Time," by juniors.
Recitation, "The Way Girls Kiss," by C. Prendergast.
Monologue, "Christmas Shopping," by May Meeres.
Pianoforte solo, "Pixie's Goodnight," by B. Edgar.
Recitation by G. Blair.
Song, "Angels Adore Him," by S.S.
Recitation, "Christmas Stocking," by B. Edgar.
Sketch, "Eight Wishes," by juniors.
Pianoforte solo by Mrs. Edgar.
Recitation by G. Blair.
Sketch, "A Lapse of Memory," by J. Negaard, Mae Blair, J. Stenhouse.

Miss J. Negaard is to be congratulated on the excellence of her acting and elocution. In fact the whole programme was well carried out: Mrs. J. Edgar had taken great pains training her class for the songs. O. McKee made a very efficient chairman, and carried out his duties in his usual composed manner.

At the close of the programme, Santa Clause appeared and diairbuted gifts and candy to all the children. After lunch had been served, games were played until midnight when "Auld Lang Syne" was sung by all present, thus terminating a very pleasant evening.

VENUS CHAPTER INSTALLATION

Venus Chapter, No. 2, Order of the Eastern Star, had one of the best attendances for years at their opening installation ceremonies on Wednesday evening. The event was an impressive one, the work being in charge of Mrs. E. Duff, Olds, Past Grand Matron of Alberta, and Miss Hammer, Olds, as acting Grand Marshal. The following officers were installed:—

W.M.—Mrs. N. Wright
W.P.—Jean Balle
A.M.—... A. G. Ayres
Secr...—P. Pidgeon
Treas...—Mrs. T. H. Edis
Conductor—Mrs. J. B. Long
A.C.—Mrs. Arch. Fyfe
Adah—Mrs. R. A. Van Slyke
Ruth—Mrs. J. R. McClure
Esther—Mrs. Chas. Weston
Martha—Mrs. Gus Day
Electra—Mrs. N. Fiske
Chaplain—Mrs. J. W. Broughton
Marshal—Mrs. J. K. Steadman
Organist—Mrs. B. F. Krause
Warden—Mrs. J. W. Warwick
Sentinel—E. Thornton

After the installation, a choice banquet was spread in honor of the Grand officers, and music and speeches wound up a very happy evening.



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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1924.

THE SITUATION IN DOMINION POLITICS

In the last two or three months we have had speeches from the political leaders all over Canada and several by-elections, the last being that in Hastings West in Ontario. These activities have not been of a highly inspiring character. It is notable that complaints have been voiced by newspapers of both Liberal and Canservative views as to the inferior quality of the political leading at the present time. The Liberals have never been really enthusiastic about their present leader. Some at least of the Conservatives seem to be doubtful about Mr. Meighen's capacity as leader, good though he was and would be as a second in command. Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Robert Borden were both more attractive figures in the day of their leadership. Parliament will meet at Ottawa with the strength of Government and opposition almost exactly equal, but of course the Progressives are only nominally an opposition party. Actually they are merely an advanced and sometimes troublesome wing of the Liberal party, likely, as far as can be judged, to become less independent of and more subservient to the Liberals as time goes on. There does not seem to be any great likelihood of a general election this winter, and in that event there will probably not be one for another year. It is to be hoped that the Conservatives of the West will not remain inactive during the interval. The indications are, in spite of the notable Liberal success in Hastings, that Ontario will go strongly Conservative at the next election, and British Columbia may do the same. Quebec will be Liberal, though it is doubtful if it will be the solidly Liberal province it now is. The Prairie Provinces may be the decisive factor at the next election, and Conservatives should make up their minds to do their very utmost to break the Liberal domination of these provinces. As things are, that may not be easy, but it certainly ought not to be regarded as impossible.

STABILITY AND PROSPERITY

It is clear from various indications that the recent elections in Great Britain and the United States are regarded in the business world as an assurance of stable political conditions for some time to come, and in consequence of improved trade and better times generally Extremism seems to have failed definitely, and the defeat of those who advocated extreme measures has been more complete than was expected. In Canada extremism has never been so threatening as it has been in Great Britain or the United States. The notorious Winnipeg strike just after the war was the most serious attempt to upset the existing order of things, and its utter failure showed that such methods enjoyed little support in Canada. The farmers' movement in politics was feared by some as a beginning of something like revolutionary finance, but it has proved to be quite devoid of anything very remarkable, and it is doubtful now if it will have a very long life as an entirely separate political force.

Stable conditions are what the world stands badly in need of, and we in Canada need them as much as other countries. Great problems of commercial organization, of the production of food, of the distribution of populations, are facing the world, and if they are to be successfully solved, peace and orderly conditions in the trade world are essential. Empire development figured largely in the constructive programme of the Conservative party at the recent British election, and that means more men and more money made available for the development of Canadian resources. Recent rises in the price of wheat and of cattle indicate that our farmers in the West may be at the beginning of really better times, which will recompense them for the very anxious years through which they have been passing. In order to take advantage of better times generally, our farmers need policies planned well ahead and safe from the risk of arbitrary changes, and violent fluctuations in prices, such as involved so much hardship for our soldier settlers after the war. It is, therefore, all to their advantage and to the advantage of Canada generally that these recent happenings in Great Britain, the States and to some extent in Europe generally hold out the prospect of at least a few years of steady progress along safe lines of development and construction. We believe that of all countries in the world Canada stands almost the best chance of really substantial advance during the next generation. We may hope that we are now at the beginning of that period of advance, and that it will continue quietly and surely, and bring with it for all classes sound and healthy prosperity.

THE WORLD'S GRAIN SUPPLY

To us in Western Canada all questions regarding the world's supplies of wheat and other grains and their prices must be of the utmost importance. Our crops and their financial yield are the basis of our whole commercial life. Recently published figures of the areas of land throughout the world under grain crops are therefore worth noting. Under normal conditions the population of the world increases at the rate of one-half per cent. each year, and the supply of grain foods ought, roughly speaking, to be increased in at least a similar proportion yearly, if all are to be adequately supplied. Yet these figures show that the area of land under grain crops in 1924 was considerably less than in 1923. In 1923 there were 499 million acres under grain crops. In 1924 the area had fallen to 496 millions of acres. Moreover, the crops grown on this lessened area in 1924 were less by 12 percent. than those grown in 1923. These crops include wheat, rye, barley, oats and maize, wheat being the largest, with maize a close second. Not only is the total amount of these crops down as compared with 1923, but in the case of each single crop the yield is less than in that year. Now the world's population is increasing as above indicated, but also the demand for certain grain foods is becoming large in countries which formerly did not consume much of them. The most important of such cases is that of Japan, where wheat is now entering into the everyday diet of the people on an increasingly large scale.

The upshot of this is that the price of grain foods throughout the world has risen sharply as compared with 1923, and all the indications are that in the case of wheat and maize at least these prices will go even higher until the 1925 crop is assured, and will not drop even then unless that crop is a heavy one. The rise in these food prices has given cause for much anxiety in grain importing countries such as Great Britain. Speculation has been blamed for the rise, but while there certainly has been much of such speculation—as anybody living in Western Canada must be aware of—it is not speculation alone that has caused the rise. It is a case of lessened supply and increased demand. In Great Britain the new Conservative Government has already called into existence a food commission one of whose duties is to consider and report as to means by which at least one million more acres in the United Kingdom may be put under wheat crops, which would mean an increase of 10 percent. to the country's home grown wheat supply.

These facts are not to be ignored by us. They point to the continually increasing value of our Western wheat lands. They are an encouragement to our farmers to realize the valuable part they are already taking in the matter of the food supply of the Empire and the world, and the necessity for sound organization to enable them reap to the full the advantage of their position and the reward of their work.

EDITORIAL NOTES

We draw to the attention of our readers the page advertisement in this issue headed "Taking Stock of Alberta." Many of us have become too much in the habit of looking on the black side of everything, brooding on our losses and disappointments, and prophesying gloom and ruin. Some of the so-called representatives of the west in the east have been the worst offenders. Be that as it may, the Press Association of the province are making a big effort to brighten the outlooks and hearten the spirits of the citizens of Alberta, and each paper in the province has been asked to run free of charge the page to which we have referred. Look at the facts and figures therein contained. Compare them with figures showing the progress of any other country of this earth. Our progress has been astounding. Along lines of finance, farming, education and culture advancement has been unprecedented. Everything is being built up that will make this province of ours a home for millions, and that will make those millions a cultured, healthy, happy, prosperous, law-abiding and home-loving people. "Take Stock of Alberta, and Take Stock of Yourselves."

It will be a tragedy unless the by-law to be submitted to the ratepayers to purchase the Addison Heights property is passed. We realize, and we suffer because of high taxes; we long and strive and have striven for lower taxes; but we cannot with a clear conscience do any other thing than unqualifiedly support the by-law. Red Deer without trees would be Wetaskiwin or Olds, and the portion of land we are asked to authorize the purchase of has on it the finest spruce trees in the city. If it is not purchased the owners can do nothing else than sell the timber off the land. We can pay the debentures off in twenty years—we could not replace the trees in fifty.

NOT QUITE READY

Mrs. Hawkins: "And 'ave you made all the arrangements for your marriage, my dear?"

Miss Jorkins: "Well, not quite all. I've got to buy my trooso, and take an 'ouse, and get me husband a job, and buy 'im a good suit of clothes, and get some reg'lar washin' to do. An' then I'm to name the 'appy day."

TEN YEARS AGO

From The News, Jan. 13, 1915.

The War: Italy was on the verge of war—Roumania was preparing to join the Allies—Major H. L. Gaetz commenced recruiting in Red Deer for "C" Squadron, C.M.R., and had to turn away over a hundred applicants—it was reported that already the war had cost 6 million men, dead, wounded and missing.

The annual Bonspiel was set for Feb. 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Red Deer High School and Olds Agricultural School were to meet in the second round of the interprovincial debate. Subject, "Resolved, that the large consolidated rural school is preferable to the small rural school."

E. G. Johns delivered a fine address on modern Italy at the Men's Brotherhood meeting.

Co-operative markets: Wheat, No. 3, 95c; No. 4, 80c. Barley, No. 3, 80c. Oats, Extra No. 1, 42c. Hogs, 6c. Hides, 7½c.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

From The News, Jan. 12, 1910.

Married—Miss Emma Craig, of Guelph, to Irwin Hamley, of Red Deer. Miss Jennie E. Mitchell, of Melbourne, Que., to Leonard J. Porter of Red Deer.

Red Deer curlers defeated Innisfail and Stettler in a district competition. Each town had two rinks. Red Deer rinks were: Dr. Paxton, W. H. Hanna, R. C. Brumpton, A. T. Stephenson skip, and Rev. Brown, Hugh Clarke, G. Lindsay, R. B. Welliver skip.

The Board of Trade held their annual meeting. G. W. Greene was elected President for 1910 and W. J. Botterill Vice-President.

EDWELL CONCERT

The annual school concert took place after several postponements on Thursday, January 1. The schoolhouse was well filled, many being present from surrounding districts, and all enjoyed the programme provided by the children, as well as solos by Rev. J. L. Hughes, and recitations by Hugh Hodgkinson, in their usual fine style. At the close of the programme a hearty vote of thanks was tendered to Miss Jennet McLennan, teacher, for getting up the entertainment. Several speakers then referred appreciatively to Miss McLennan's work during five and a half years in Edwell district.

The following was the programme:—

Chorus, "Glory in the Highest."
Chairman's address.
Recitation, "Welcome," by Lloyd Graham.
Recitation, "Which Is Wrong," Inez Rector.
Recitation, "Cold December," by four girls.
Recitation, "A Christmas Secret," by Gay Rector.
Dialogue, "A Christmas Crazy Class"
Song, "Santa Claus is Coming."
Recitation, "A Santa Claus," George Kirton.
Recitation, "The Last Month," Ella McInroy.
Recitation, "Santa Claus at the Phone," Cecil Collier.
Dialogue, "A Christmas Lesson."
Song, "Happy Christmas Day."
Recitation, "The Happy Farmer," by Gay Rector.
Recitation, "If I Had My Way," by Harold Patchett.
Recitation, "A Christmas Stocking," Kenneth Alsop.
Dialogue, "What the Stockings Said"
Solo by Rev. J. L. Hughes.
Recitation by Hugh Hodgkinson.
Rope drill by eight children.
Recitation, "Christmas Bells", by three girls.
Dialogue, "Arthur's Bravery."
Song, "Of Course."
Dialogue, "Sambo's Christmas."
Sunflower drill by four girls and four boys.
Duet, "Sweet Be Thy Slumber," by May Patchett and Olive Comer.
Recitation, "Goodbye" by Reggie Patchett.
God Save the King.
Santa Claus appears.
Lunch.

Experience keeps a good school, but some continue their attendance far too long.

THE CITY COUNCIL

(Continued from first page)

4. We submit statement of receipts and disbursements for December.
5. We submit accounts for your authorization to pay.
6. We submit departmental reports for the year 1924.
7. We submit for your consideration a By-law authorizing the signing of the agreement with the Municipal Hospital. This has been held up for a long time pending a survey of the land.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. G. JOHNS
A. T. STEPHENSON
Commissioners.

The Secretary read the offer of Messrs. Balle and Hepworth to sell the wooded 35 acres for $2,000, or the 72 acres mentioned for $50.00 per acre. In view of the fact that the owners have a contract nearly closed to sell the timber for more than $2,000, the offer was considered very fair. Ald. Snell moved, seconded by Ald. McClure, that the offer of Messrs. Hepworth and Balle contained in their letter of January 7, 1925, to sell to the City of Red Deer all that portion of Addison Heights lying north of Fourth Avenue, Second Avenue and Seventh Avenue, containing 35 acres, for the sum of $2,000, be accepted, subject to the approval of the Public Utilities Commission and the ratification of same by the ratepayers." The motion carried unanimously.

The following accounts were passed for payment:

D. G. Horn	$25.00
Wage Sheet, December	17.60
Mrs. E. L. Coram	40.00
Public School Board	400.00
Dep. Min. Municipal Affairs	23.75
E. G. Johns & Co.	22.20
Red Deer Iron Works	3.50
W. Springbett	7.10
Hong Lee	1.10
Dep. Min. Railways and Phones	18.05
Postmaster	25.00
Registrar of Lands	50.00
R. C. Blakeley	14.40
West. Gen. Elec. Co.	43.42
Lavender & Clarke	9.80
Sec-Treas. Fire Brigade	163.60
Red Deer Advocate	19.90
J. H. Dickinson	6.30
A. Forrester	12.00
Western Min. News	21.50

W. J. Botterill submitted a report on the standing of rents on the properties on which the city collects rents either as owner or because taxes are in arrears. Some are in arrears but are getting into better shape. He enclosed a cheque for $164.85 for December collections.

The Fire Department report for 1924 was outstanding in that during the year there were only five fires, 3 silent calls and 1 chimney fire besides 3 false alarms. The total fire loss was only $3,025.00. It is the best report ever presented in Red Deer, and probably the best in any place in Canada.

Chief Streatfield reported for 1924 a great amount of detail work in police and health matters.

Foreman Jones reported the work for the year on the walks, streets, parks, cemetery and other city properties.

The question of the rebate to the St. Luke's vestry of part of the 1924 taxes, as the 1924 Council had expressed themselves as being in favor of, was threshed out. Aldermen Broughton and Snell were in favor of a considerable rebate to be set in a business-like way by comparison with taxes paid by other churches, but the other aldermen would not allow any rebate other than a nominal sum. It was moved by Alderman Galbraith, and seconded by Ald. Fulton, "that a rebate of $100 be made."

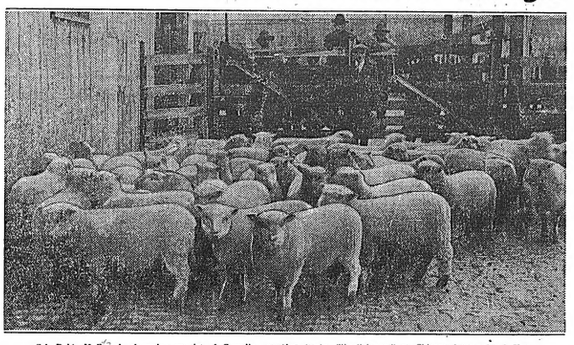
An amendment by Aldermen Snell and Broughton increasing the amount of the rebate was lost and the motion carried, Ald. McClure voting reluctantly with Aldermen Galbraith and Fulton, as he did not favor any rebate.

By-law 601 was given its third read ing and passed. By it, Dr. C. W. Sanders was appointed Medical Health Officer for 1925, at a salary of $240.00.

Council decided to challenge the School Board to the annual curling match for the oysters.

Adjournment took place at 12.30.

Canada's Smaller Wool Crop Affords Food For Thought



Col. Robt. McEwan's champion car lot of Canadian weather lambs, "Southdowns," at Chicago International Show.

Farms in the British Isles support 24,000,000 sheep, while the whole Dominion of Canada supports but 2,000,000, one twelfth as many. Yet during the fiscal year ended March, 1924, woollen and knitting mills imported into Canada some 19,375,925 pounds of raw wool.

In Canada, in 1922, according to the Census of Industry figures we had 277 woollen and knitting mills, which employed some 22,000 workers. Yet in 1922, countries abroad sent into Canada $38,000,000 worth of woollen and knitted goods, and in 1924, $41,000,000 worth, representing employment for some 17,000 to 20,000 workers. Although during the past year the wool and knitting industries have expanded to some extent and, particularly in the Eastern Townships of Quebec, have new mills opened up, it is seen that only about half of the woollen goods sold in this country could have been produced here. Raw wool, grown in Canada, comprises but a small fraction of that which is used by the mills that are operating in the Dominion.

There is not enough wool grown to supply the demand of the world. Japan and China, the staple clothing and bedding materials for which countries were formerly silk and cotton, are rapidly becoming great wool consuming countries, imports to Japan alone having jumped 700 per cent in ten years.

Thus it is seen that the Canadian wool grower has not only a growing domestic market, but an ever increasing foreign market for his clips, yet sheep are rarely given due consideration by Canadian farmers even though they have been dubbed "mortgage lifters" in the West.

Col. Robt. McEwen of London, Ont., president of the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers' Association, who won the championship for a car-load lot of Canadian weather lambs, "Southdowns," at the Chicago International Show, has said, "taking Canada as a whole it has been proved that climatic conditions are favorable to sheep raising. No devastating disease has visited our flocks. Yet today we find ourselves up against the serious economic condition of consuming more wool than we produce, and for a comparatively new and fertile country like Canada to have reached the stage of deficient supply for such an essential as clothing should surely demand the serious consideration of us all."

But although wool growing as an industry in Canada does not come up to what might be expected of it, those who are engaged in it are highly and effectively organized as regards marketing. In 1914 those in charge of the Dominion Live Stock Branch, Ottawa, began to urge that sheepmen be more careful in putting up their fleeces and that they stop selling at any old price which might be offered locally. Following their efforts various sheep breeders and wool growers' associations throughout Canada began to collect wool from their members, this wool being graded in turn by expert graders supplied by the Dominion Government and being sold on the graded basis. As more and more local associations were formed, it was felt that all should be affiliated under one central selling agency with the result that in 1918 the Canadian Co-operative Wool Growers Limited was formed with headquarters in Toronto. This is a commodity marketing organization handling wool only, having about 2,800 shareholders and approximately 12,000 shippers of wool throughout the Dominion. Individual clips are collected at various points for shipment in car-load lots to the central warehouse at Weston, Ont., for grading and sale.

At the present time this organization, which operates from coast to coast, is handling from a quarter to one third of the Canadian clip reaching the open market. Its influence is being extended more and more each season as will be noted from the fact that in Ontario alone the number of shippers has increased from 3,200 in 1922, to 4,000 in 1924. The various grades of wool are sold to equal advantage in Canadian, American and English markets, and it is perhaps noteworthy that during the past two years approximately three-quarters of a million pounds of Canadian graded wools have found a market with English mills.

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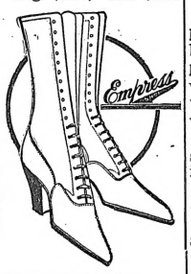
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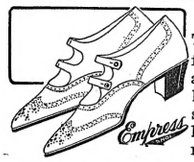
WOMEN'S BLIZZARD RUBBERS



Regular $1.60
Sale price **$1.00 pair**
Warm fleece-lined rubbers to fit shoes with cuban heels and medium toe; in sizes 2½ to 5.

WOMEN'S HIGH BUTTON OVERSHOES
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MEN'S DRESS SHOES
Regular $5.50, Sale Price **$3.95**
Black or brown, in medium and round toe last; all sizes.

MEN'S MEDIUM FINE SHOES
Regular $5.00, Sale Price **$2.50**
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MEN'S PROFESSIONAL HOCKEY BOOTS
Regular $6.50, Sale Price **$3.25**

MEN'S BLACK SOLID LEATHER WORK BOOTS
Regular $4.75, Sale Price **$2.38**

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Sizes 6 to 11. Regular $4.50, Sale Price **$3.95**

MEN'S BUTTON BOOTS
Regular $8.50, Sale Price **$3.95**
"Slater" quality; fine black calf leather, round toe last; sizes 6 and 7½ only.

Children's Dresses



Children's Little Navy Serge Dresses, embroidered or trimmed with braid; pleated skirts. Sizes 4, 5 and 6 years. Regular $4.25, for **$2.95**
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Girls' Flannel Dresses in sand, coral, paddy and red. Sizes 8-14.
Regular $5.95, for **$3.95**
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Regular $10.00, for **$7.95**
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100 lb sack **$8.95**
PRUNES—5 lb packet **45¢** 25 lb box **$2.20**
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Grey Wolf Stole— Reg. $28.50 for **$10.00**
Muff to match— Reg. $28.50 for **$10.00**
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Natural Lynx Stole Reg. $28.50 for **$10.00**
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Fawcett Ideal
Reg. $20.75, Special **$16.75**
No. 17 Fairy Oak
Reg. $22.50, Special **$17.75**
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12x42 Men's Club, curved toe, per pair..... **$4.75**
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Lot. No. 1—Men's Overcoats in splendid patterns of grey and brown mixed tweed; half and full lined. Sizes 36, 37, 38 and 40; new model and well tailored. Values to $25.00
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Lot. No. 2—This lot comprise the balance of better grade coats. All this season's coats. Lovely new patterns and models. Sizes 37, 38, 39 and 40. Regular value to $37.50. Final Clearance Sale Price **$24.95**

MEN'S WINTER CAPS AT BARGAIN PRICES

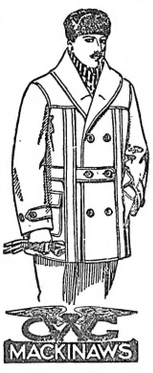


2 dozen Men's Tweed Winter Caps, cloth or fur bands. Good warm tweeds; neat patterns. Values to $2.00.
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MEN'S FLANNEL SHIRTS
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9 only Men's 32 oz. Pure Wool Mackinaw Coats in brown heather and blue and green plaids. Sizes 38 to 44. If you are open for a real bargain, see these at **$6.95**
6 only, 36 oz. Pure Wool Mackinaw Coats in Norfolk style; well made and lovely mixed plaid patterns. Sizes 38 to 44. Every coat guaranteed for 2 years. Come early while your size is here.
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SAVE MONEY ON BOYS' MACKINAW COATS
Pure Wool Mackinaws in brown, blue and green plaid. Sizes 6 to 14 years. A real bargain at **$5.45**

MEN'S BUCK PULLOVER MITTS
Men's Indian Tan Buckskin Pullovers; welted seams; soft and comfortable; good full sizes. Reg. $1.75. January Clearance Sale Price, **$1.45**

Boys' Bloomers



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URCH—NEWSHAM

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Urch are now happily settled in the Ray Alcock home, Parkvale, where they are receiving the heartiest good wishes from friends. They were married on New Year's night at 6.30 at the home of Mrs. Urch's father, Mr. A. R. Newsham, at Castor, Rev. Mr. Stewart, of the Presbyterian church, performing the ceremony. The bride was attired in white crepe de chene, with veil and orange blossoms, and carried a bouquet of roses and cut carnations. Her maid was her sister, Miss Millicent Newsham, while Mr. Harry Newsham supported the groom. After the ceremony the wedding party sat down to a dainty breakfast with the usual bright accompaniments. The bride had been with the Western General office, Red Deer, for a couple of years back, and was well and favorably known here, while Mr. Urch has won for himself a good name during his stay here.

CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS

Westbound—Mon., Wed. and Fri.

Leave Big Valley	6.30 a.m
Arrive Red Deer	12.15 p.m
Leave Red Deer	12.45 p.m
Arrive R. M. House	3.50 p.m
Leave R. M. House	4.00 p.m
Arrive Brazeau	8.10 p.m

Eastbound—Tues., Thurs. and Sat.

Leave Brazeau	6.00 a.m
Arrive R. M. House	10.00 a.m
Leave R. M. House	10.30 a.m
Arrive Red Deer	2.20 p.m
Leave Red Deer	2.35 p.m
Arrive Stettler	8.15 p.m

W. R. FOWLER, Agent.

CANADIAN PACIFIC
TRAIN SERVICE

Effective Sunday, September 14, 1924.

Times for Trains at Red Deer will be:

Southbound:

Daily—		
No. 526	3:25 a.m.	3:30 a.m
No. 522	10:45 a.m.	10:55 a.m
Daily except Sundays—		
No. 524	3:30 p.m.	3:35 p.m

Westbound

Monday, Wednesday, Friday—No. 613
Leave at 12.15.

Eastbound

Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, No. 614
Arrive at 10.20 a.m.

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OUR IRISH LETTER

By H. G. Scott.

THE ANXIOUS FUTURE IN IRELAND

The Boundary Commission Act having been successfully passed through both the British and Free State Parliaments, Mr. Fisher, a notable Ulsterman, has been appointed to act as Ulster's representative on the Commission along with Mr. Justice Feetham and Mr. McNeil. It is not expected that the commission will be able to complete its work and present its report for some six to nine months at least. During that time the position in Ireland is likely to remain stationary, to outward appearances, at any rate, whatever developments may be going on beneath the surface. It will probably not be until the Commission makes its report that the critical period will arrive.

It is possible that no such report will ever be made. The fear of a report adverse to the interest of one party or the other may make both come to an amicable agreement as to the boundary, which will make the Commission's decision unnecessary. That, however, does not appear to be very likely. Even if the leaders on either side were willing to make such an agreement, even if they have in private already made it, public opinion on either side is probably too strong to let them announce it openly. Only if the award of the Commission is of such a character as to allow both governments with some show of reason to claim a victory for their contention, is there much chance of its being accepted. If the award gives to the Free State such small Catholic areas in Northern Ireland as can be described by the Free State government as something greater than mere "rectification" of the boundary; if at the same time it leaves such essential points as Londonderry and Newry in Northern Ireland and also awards to the latter those small bits of Eastern Donegal as are predominantly Protestant, and may be used by the Northern Government to satisfy their people that Ulster has gained some territory in exchange for what she has lost, then it is just possible that public opinion on both sides will accept the decision, even though the acceptance is accompanied by violent protests against its injustice, much grumbling against English betrayal and loud appeals to the world at large to witness the moderation which for the sake of peace and of Ireland consents to such a reduction of unquestionably rightful claims. Neither side really wants civil war, though of the two Ulster is almost certainly the better prepared, and by reason of internal unity, self-confidence, and the belief that she will receive all the help she may need from British volunteers, the less afraid of war. The probable result of an actual conflict was put vividly and forcibly by a Catholic member of the Free State legislature in private conversation recently. "If," said he, "it comes to war over the boundary question, the border will be driven down to Cork, so complete will be the Ulster victory."

Settlement Likely

Settlement is the more likely, and at the same time the more hopeful outcome. There are unfortunately other possibilities. It is said that if Mr. Justice Feetham and Mr. Fisher, forming a majority of the Commission, take the view early on that under the terms of the Treaty only rectification is intended, and therefore refuse to listen to evidence and arguments tending towards the separation of such large areas of Northern Ireland as are claimed by the Free State, then Mr. McNeill, the Free State Commissioner, will walk out of the room, the Free State will denounce both Commission and Treaty, and proclaim a republic.

Again, it is suggested that those who, for purely selfish reasons or motives of unavowed policy, wish to prevent a peaceful settlement, may deliberately provoke incidents on the border and thereby rouse feeling on both sides to such a pitch as to make impossible acceptance of any award by the Commissioners and to bring on civil war or British intervention. It is this which makes serious such escapades as De Valera's repeated incursions into Ulster territory in defiance of the Northern Government's enactments.

Yet another possibility is that the Commission's report may award to the Free State on a basis of population considerable areas of Northern Ireland. In that event the Northern Government, which has not yet recognized the Commission in any way whatever, will flatly refuse to accept the decision and will defy the Free State to try to take possession of the areas awarded, and will compel the British Government of the day to face the almost hopeless dilemma of using force against loyal Ulster on behalf of the disloyal Free State, or of having to admit that the Treaty with the Free State cannot be carried out, in which case it will at once be denounced and a Republic proclaimed in the Free State. If, however, it is assumed that the most likely course is followed, the Commission's report accepted, and the Boundary question settled for the time being, there are other problems which will have to be faced in Ireland.

A Grave Problem

As far as Northern Ireland is concerned, there are not likely to be any immediate difficulties. Once the Boundary question is settled, she can go her way, assured of an efficient government and administration, and of at least a fair measure of internal prosperity. Yet she is faced with a danger which is not less deadly because it is to some extent distant and peaceful in aspect. That danger is the gradual infiltration of Catholics from the South of Ireland into Northern Ireland, and the gradual outnumbering of the Protestant population by the more rapid increase of the Catholic population already within her territory. The same phenomenon is visible in Northern Ireland that is to be seen in the other parts of the world, namely, the restriction in the natural increase of the more advanced and efficient sections of the populations, and the unchecked multiplication of the more backward sections. In this case the line of division corresponds fairly closely with that of the two religions. The Catholic Church, possibly on high moral grounds, even more possibly for reasons of recruiting, has always set its face sternly against any restriction in the size of families. The result is that the Catholic proportion of the population of Northern Ireland will tend to increase as against the Protestant proportion. For the latter it is a problem of the utmost gravity. A certain amount can be done to meet it by economic organization. Property can be kept in Protestant hands, Employment can be given to Protestants in preference to Catholics, but such measures are neither easy to organize nor complete in their efficacy. It is possible that the Protestants of Northern Ireland may have to face the somewhat unattractive prospect that the question of ultimate Irish unity will be settled by the gradual and more or less peaceful transformation of the Protestant majority of Ulster into a minority, and thereafter by its extinction. The Ulster question was created largely by the "Plantations" from Scotland. It may be settled by something like a reverse process from Southern Ireland. It would not be giving the Roman Catholic authorities credit for their accustomed astuteness if it were to be thought that such a policy had escaped their serious attention.

Free State Difficulties

The problems and difficulties of the Free State are more pressing and immediate. The most serious of all is the large question of the capacity of Irishmen for self-government. Long years of oppression, or opposition to constituted authority, and irresponsibility, are a poor preparation for the sudden assumption of such complete self-government as the Free State has now gained. Allusion has been made previously to the racial deficiencies recognized by the most penetrating and clearly visioned Irishmen. This arises from the fact that to a very large extent the Free State Irish are an in-bred race. The English settlement was too partial and limited in its operation to result in such a thorough admixture of blood as has been the case in Great Britain with its successive waves of Norse, Danish and Norman invaders. The result of this lack of fresh blood has been to develop in the Irish race a strain of weakness which may have very ill effects now that it seems likely to have to stand alone. The weakness may show itself in far turbulent self-assertion, in the want of capacity for self-restraint, in the lack of balance and proportion in the attitude adopted towards political questions, in the failure of industry and initiative. The almost insane suspicions and jealousies which trouble the Free State now are perhaps due to this root cause, though it is well to remember that a somewhat similar state of things existed and still partly exists in some if not all of the new States created or resurrected in Europe as a result of the War. It is possible that when the first high fever of exultation at established freedom subsides, the Free State may confound its critics by displaying a stability and a political capacity much beyond what is expected of it. If there are serious grounds for anxiety, there are also considerable grounds for encouragement in the exceedingly brave and able manner in which the Free State Government faced and overcame the attacks of the Irregulars under De Valera, more especially as they had to do so under the crushing discouragement of the death of Michael Collins and Arthur Griffiths, their two best leaders.

If the future of Ireland depends greatly on the relations between Northern Ireland and the Free State, it depends even more on the relations between the Free State and Great Britain. If real friendship and confidence can take the place of illwill and suspicion, and Ireland learns to make use of British strength to assist her, then there is every hope that the future prospects of Ireland may become increasingly bright. To this end it seems that the British Government has been wise in leaving the Free State as much as possible alone since its establishment and ignoring the various slights and the rather childish tone of menace in which the Free State leaders have at times indulged. Ultra-Irish gestures such as the post age stamps or the form of oath taken in the Irish courts and by the army have been rightly allowed to pass unnoticed.

Commercial Relation Factor

If once the political irritation can be got rid of, circumstances will tend to draw Great Britain and Ireland together. The strongest factor of all is that of commercial relations. Great Britain is far and away the best customer that Ireland has for her mainly agricultural products. Without the British market, the economic prosperity of Ireland is practically impossible. The United States may have been exceedingly sympathetic to Irish political aspirations, but that sympathy does not express itself in trade. According to the last official trade returns of the Free State, the American purchases of Irish products are of such small value as to be almost negligible, while the Irish cattle exports alone to England amount in yearly value to £16,000,000. The Dublin "Independent," possibly the best paper published in the Free State and certainly not pro-British, recently printed a letter from an Irishman now resident in America in which he very frankly told his fellow Irishmen what he thought of the situation. He pointed out that under the Free State Constitution they had all the liberty they could possibly ask for without the expense and responsibility of defending themselves against foreign aggression. He called attention to the absolute importance from the trade point of view, of friendly relations with Great Britain, and he wound up by saying that if Irishmen out of blind and misguided obstinacy persisted in trying to establish a Republic in face of British opposition, they need not expect to receive either the sympathy or the financial support of Irish-Americans, as they had in the past, and that he himself would not lift a finger or give a dollar towards helping them in the futile which they would certainly bring on themselves.

The wisdom of this advice is obvious and yet as has been indicated, the proclamation of a Republic in the near future is not impossible. It may even be said to be probable in view of the growth of Republican feeling in the Free State. The British Labour Government declared that it would not tolerate any such thing and the new Conservative Government is not likely to be any more yielding in that respect. It may have to decide before long in just what manner it will deal with it. If Britain really made up her mind to suppress such a republic by force of arms, no sane Irishman has any doubt as to the result of the struggle, however much foolish, ignorant talk there may be about the Irish "victory" over England in the late war." Military measures, however, would probably not be necessary. The imposition of a naval blockade, the cutting off of all commercial intercourse whatever, together with the strict guarding of the Ulster border, would before very long convince the people of the Free State Ireland of the folly of their ways, the republican government in its turn would be upset, and the more sane and rational Free State party would again come into power and resume friendly relations with Great Britain.

That would seem to be the probable course of events, but once again the difficult factors of race and religion may intervene. The ancient Irish racial incapacity for peaceful co-operation may assert itself. Clerical ascendancy in Ireland, following out the policy of animosity to non-Catholic Britain, may keep alive the tradition of Irish hatred for England. It may prove impossible to establish a sound government based on the essential friendship with Great Britain. In that event the old sad story of Ireland will repeat itself. Internal strife will rend and ruin the country. The Irish race with all its brilliance, its charm, its pathos, will drop out of the equal community of ordered nations. The fatal policy of Sinn Fein, "Ourselves alone," will have its final triumphs and Ireland will be left a tragic and distracted straggler behind the advancing columns of the world's civilization.

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ST. LUKE'S W.A. OFFICERS

St. Luke's Women's Auxiliary held their annual meeting on Wednesday afternoon when the following were elected officers for 1925:—

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Second Vice—Mrs. S. V. Day
Sec.-Treas.—Mrs. T. H. Edis
Dorcas Sec.—Mrs. W. J. Botterill
Junior's Sec.—Mrs. H. C. Munn
Little Helpers' Sec.—Mrs. T. Phillips

The ladies had had quite a successful year, the Secretary-Treasurer's report showing that over $1100 had passed through her hands. The net financial return of the W.A.'s year's work went to church and missionary purposes.

CONDOR L.O.B.A.

The officers of the Ladies' Orange Lodge, No. 608, at Condor, were installed by Bro. S. Hastie on Tuesday, January 6, as follows:—

W.M.—Sister E. Eastman
D.M.—Sister M. Porter
Rec.-Sec'y—Sister D. S. Hastie
Treasurer—Sister E. Barton
D. of C.—Sister R. MacPaul
Chaplain—Sister L. Barton
First Lecturer—Sister M. Eastman
I.G.—Bro. G. Barton
Guard—Bro. S. Hastie

After the installation, arrangements were made for the banquet to be held in the Community Hall on January 20 in honor of Bro. White from Edmonton.

M.D. OF CROWN

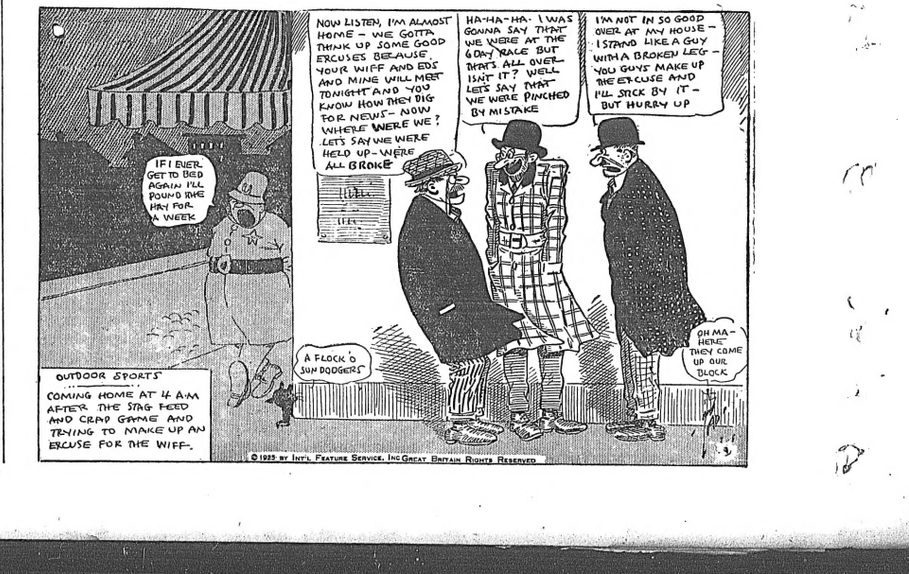
M.D. of Crown council meetings at the end of November authorized payment of $25 to A. Kreise for land taken off N.E. 15-40-27-W4, for a watercourse. A. Philip was ordered to take the fence off the road allowance between S.E. 9 and S.W. 10-39-27-W4, as the road was needed for travel, and the Reeve and Councillor Madden were appointed to attend to the matter. The Reeve and Councillor Simsons were elected delegates to the M.D. convention at Calgary, and $50 granted for expenses. A grant of $10 was made to the Clive School Fair. Alex. Wilson was to be paid $50 for road diversion on N.W. 32-40-28-4, on satisfactory agreement being procured. A. N. Stevenson was appointed poundkeeper at S.E. 22-39-27-W4. F. W. Smith, weed inspector for Divs. 1, 4 and 5, was paid $100. The secretary-treasurer was instructed to take title to lands on which caveats had been filed after December 15. All outstanding checks prior to December 31, 1922, were cancelled. The following taxes were ordered cancelled: On the N.W. 23-40-28 W4, for 1923; municipal $1.91, Supplementary Revenue 69¢, Wild Land $3.64. The Reeve and Councillor Ellis were instructed to be in attendance at Edmonton when the Waldern case comes into court; if Councillor Ellis cannot be in attendance, then Councillor Madden to take his place. Labor pay sheets, to the amounts of $6230.60 and $537.85 were ordered paid. The accounts of the several Councillors were ordered paid: Div. 1, J. Ellis, $183.50; Div. 2, M. Madden, $180; Div. 3, R. M. Gibson, $135.60; Div. 4, F. S. Simsons, $195.70; Div. 5, D. Foren, $175; Div. 6, J. A. Bradley, $138. C. Braithwaite was appointed Returning Officer for 1925, and the deputy returning officers for 1924 were again appointed. A cheque for $40 was to be forwarded to W. E. Trueman in payment of expenses connected with two polls in taking plebiscite on the Red Deer Municipal Hospital. The sum of $600 was paid W. F. Puffer on account of work done in connection with the assessment of the Municipality; an account of $200 had been passed at a previous meeting. Accounts were ordered paid to the amounts of $272.97 and $1784.22.

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Taking Stock of Alberta

THERE is no doubt that Alberta's fundamental position, her progress to date, and the conditions that have a bearing on her future development are such as to afford a sure basis for faith and confidence in this province and in the early realization of its vast possibilities.

It is well, however, that the people of Alberta should make periodic examinations of these various factors in order that their individual faith and confidence may be strengthened and there may be stimulated that individual and collective initiative and enterprise which are so essential to the development of a young province.

It is peculiarly fitting that such an examination should be made in this first month of a new year when stock-taking is the order of the day in business establishments the world over. In these the goods upon the shelves and in the storehouses are being revalued, the records of development to date are being analyzed, and estimates of probable development in the future are being made—all with a view to the adoption of such policies as will hasten that development and make it more profitable. This is equally necessary in public affairs and the purpose of this page is to present to the people of Alberta the results of a careful stock-taking of Alberta's progress to date, present position and probable development.

FIFTY years ago nothing had been done in what is now the Province of Alberta in the way of agricultural settlement. The whole proceeds of acquisition and settlement of the lands, with the consequent development of educational, municipal and judicial institutions, has been wrought within a single lifetime, while politically the advancement from personal rule to representative government has been made in less than one-third of a century.

When we consider the development that took place before the war and the recovery that has been made in the face of adverse world conditions since the proclamation of peace, when we count the advantages and blessings of our present conditions, when we list the resources, possibilities and opportunities our province affords, we have good reasons and positive assurances for being enthusiastically optimistic of the future.

We have a province favored by Providence and have our future in our own hands, our faith in our country is well founded and grounded. Let us go forward with courage, for if we work in unity we are bound to achieve success.

R. G. BRETT,
Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta.

Rich Natural Resources Basis of Prosperity

AT the very foundation of Alberta's progress and prospects must be placed the rich natural resources and favorable climatic conditions with which a kind Providence has endowed this province.

These are such as to have made Alberta's yield of wheat and oats higher on a ten-year average than those of any other province or state on this continent and of a very high quality also. Alberta has won two world's championships in wheat and five in oats and at the last five international shows at Chicago 115 other prizes in these two grains.

The same natural conditions are very favorable to the raising of livestock also. During the past four years livestock drom this province, competing with the world, has won 48 prizes at Chicago, 101 at Toronto and 40 at Guelph—these including 10 championships.

Alberta has 89% of all the coal in Canada, and 14% of the world's coal supply. Her timber resources are considerable. She has other substantial natural resources in tar sands, gas, fish and game and there is good reason for believing that oil in commercial quantities and qualities will yet be found.

But even such an extent and variety of natural resources would be of little actual value today without reasonable prospects of early development. Estimates of these must be based in part on the record of actual development to date.

The 19 years since Alberta became a province form a natural period for a review of provincial development. What then is the record of development during that period?

—In population the increase has been four-fold.

—Railway mileage has increased almost five-fold.

AREA under cultivation has increased almost twenty-fold.

Wheat production is twenty-nine times greater, comparing the yield of 1905 with the average of the past five years.

—In oats, on the same basis of comparison, the increase has been seven-fold, the average for the past five years being 75% of old Ontario's production for the same period.

—Livestock herds have increased, but in smaller proportion, and this province has now two of the four largest stockyards in Canada.

—Creamery butter production has increased from a negligible quantity in 1905 to 21,000,000 pounds in 1924.

—Poultry products have increased seven-fold until today Alberta has more hens per capita than any other province in Canada.

—Fisheries which were of no commercial value as late as 10 years ago are now adding $400,000 annually to Alberta's production.

—Coal production now exceeds that of Nova Scotia or British Columbia, being 40% of the total for all Canada.

—Manufacturing—practically unknown in 1915—represents today an investment of over $55,000,000 and gives employment to over 12,000 people.

—Tourist traffic, also a negligible factor in 1905, has been greatly stimulated by improved roads and the establishment of five national parks, and today brings to Alberta an annual expenditure of from $15,000,000 to $25,000,000.

Summing up in terms of a single year's production, the products of agriculture and other natural resources represented in 1923 a total value of $260,000,000 to which must be added $45,000,000 for other manufactured products.

AS we pass each milestone of the passing years, particularly years when conditions generally have been somewhat abnormal and consequently difficult, it is timely and it is good business practice to quietly review our position—to take stock.

We have progressed in Alberta in 1924.

Agricultural conditions in this province compare very favorably with the conditions of the industry in the other provinces of Canada and in other countries. There has been a steady, sustained improvement in agriculture in 1924, which has been reflected in the gradual betterment in general business in the West. Nothing spectacular about it, but an indication that the strain of the past few years is surely easing off, that the process of re-adjustment is going on apace, and that we may reasonably look for continued improvement leading in due season to a return of sound, normal prosperity. How soon we reach it will depend in large measure upon our faith in Canada and our confidence in ourselves.

It has been said with a great deal of truth that confidence and enterprise begets prosperity.

May all Albertans by their confidence and enterprise establish their claim to it in 1925.

H. GREENFIELD,
Premier of Alberta.

A Steady Growth Along Educational Lines

NOR is it along commercial lines alone that Alberta has made rapid development.

The provincial university, starting with three rented rooms and an enrolment of 45 shortly after the province was formed, has now a plant valued at over $4,000,000 and an enrolment of 1300. It has attained a world-wide reputation through its high educational standards and administrative efficiency and the outstanding character of special work of its president and other members of its staff.

The Institute of Technology and Art at Calgary, established at a later date, has already an enrolment of 1,000.

In the public and high schools enrolment has increased five-fold while the increase in value of school properties has been twenty-fold.

Regular classes in these institutions have been supplemented by correspondence and lecture courses and travelling libraries arranged by the University of Alberta.

A provincial research council has been established for the purpose of promoting scientific knowledge and scientific research particularly with regard to Alberta's natural resources.

Alberta's Development at a Glance

	1905	1924
Population	160,000	637,000
Wheat Production, bushels	3,035,843	*65,000,000
Oats Production, bushels	11,728,314	*63,000,000
Coal Production, tons	811,228	** 5,000,000
Number of Men Employed in Mines	1,800	12,000
Value Coal Production	$ 3,000,000	$ 20,000,000
Railway Mileage	1,060	4,700
Acreage Under Cultivation	616,821	12,000,000
Butter Production, in pounds	1,000,000	21,000,000
School Enrolment	28,784	128,000
Number School Districts	585	3,388
Capital Invested in Manufacturing	———	$ 55,000,000
Yearly Payroll in Manufacturing	———	$ 66,000,000
Number Employed in Manufactur'g	———	12,000
University Enrolment (1908)	45	1,350
Value Poultry & Products (1912)	$ 2,000,000	$ 9,000,000
Value Agricultural Products	$20,000,000	$225,000,000
Number of Farms	25,000	90,000

*Year of 1923 was record. Yields of that year were 167,000,000 bushels wheat and 114,000,000 bushels oats.

**Total reduced by 7½ months' coal strike. Total tonnage for 1923 was 6,866,000.

Vast Acreages Ready for Settlement

Such record of achievement would inspire confidence in any province. It is all the more inspiring and hopeful because made by a new province using but a small portion of its natural resources.

With all her development in agricultural production only 15 per cent of Alberta's arable land is under cultivation. At least 20,000,000 acres—two-thirds greater than the area now in use—is still lying idle and unoccupied within 25 miles of constructed railways. Of these half a million acres are within the boundaries of established irrigation districts requiring only the construction of laterals to make them fully irrigated land.

All of these factors and certain conditions that will make for more rapid development in future constitute the great strength of Alberta's present position. With an area twice that of the British Isles, Alberta has only one and a quarter per cent of the population of the United Kingdom. Within the borders of this province there could be accommodated geographically the whole of Germany or France or nine of the most populous of the New England and Atlantic states. The frame-work for a large population, engaged in a wide variety of pursuits and representing a production of high commercial value has been largely prepared. That preparation has imposed a heavy burden upon the relatively few people who had to bear it, but the filling in will bring increased prosperity to them and good returns to those who are attracted to this province in the process.

NO service more valuable could be performed by the press of Alberta for the people of the province than to review for them in this concise form the progress that has been made since the province was organized, and to set forth the great natural wealth with which Alberta is endowed. It is most desirable that from time to time we renew our faith and confidence in this country by taking full stock of what we are and of what we have. We are destined for great things here in Alberta. We can realize this destiny only by retaining our faith and by uniting our efforts towards the one end of the upbuilding of a prosperous and happy citizenship.

GEORGE HOADLEY,
Minister of Agriculture for Alberta.

Factors That Assure Rapid Development

There is sure ground for believing that Alberta's development in the near future will be even more rapid and more prosperous than heretofore.

No other province stands to gain as much from the more aggressive immigration and colonization policy which is almost certain to be adopted in the near future by the Federal Government. Alberta has a larger proportion of unoccupied arable land than any other province and it is largely to land settlement in this province that immigration and colonization efforts would be directed.

Outside capital also will come into Alberta in increasing measure. Her record of achievement to date and her rich natural resources will arouse a wide-spread interest in the possibilities for investment within her borders.

A general reconstruction of freight rates cannot be delayed much longer, and this will mean much to Alberta. Heretofore this province has been at the very peak of the freight rate structure fashioned on the original idea that all exports and imports must travel via the long route to and from the east. Following the opening of the Pacific-Panama route there is in process of development in transportation a Pacific watershed as well as one tributary to the Atlantic. When this is given full effect in freight schedules Alberta will realize the advantage of her geographical position close to the Pacific coast and to a water route to Europe. This will mean lower freight rates to Alberta farmers on all they sell for export and lower cost to all in Alberta on what is brought in from other provinces and countries for consumption here.

Extension of trade with the Orient will hasten Alberta's development. Already new markets are being found there for wheat, flour, live stock, butter and cheese produced in this province. These markets are certain to be extended. Babson, the noted economist, says the great trade of the future will be with the Orient. Alberta, as the most westerly of Canada's prairie provinces, is in a very favorable position for supplying the Orient's requirements in agricultural products.

National considerations will bring about in the not far distant future the use of Alberta coal in Ontario and this will give a great impetus to the coal industry of this province.

IN taking stock of Alberta it is necessary to remember that the province covers a considerable amount of territory and that in no year, since the country was settled, has it been possible to say that conditions have been generally the same throughout the whole province.

Generally speaking, however, decided progress has been made, and there is every reason to expect steady improvement in the future.

The efforts being made to arrive at a solution of some of the more perplexing questions, such as the settlement of the semi-arid areas and the irrigation and drainage districts, improved transportation and better facilities for the marketing of our products, are important and must make for improved conditions.

E. J. FREAM,
Utilities Commissioner for Alberta

University of Alberta Playing Large Part in Development

A tour through the agricultural departments of the University of Alberta reveals active investigation in animal feeding and diseases, efforts to develop new varieties of plants and to solve the problem of plant hardiness. A soil survey of the province is in progress, and experiments looking to the control of economic pests are under way.

In co-operation with the Alberta Research council interesting tests of house-heaters are being conducted, and a chemical survey of our coals is bringing to light new data of great significance to this basic industry. 1925 will probably see the completion of investigation in the application of oil to our surface soils with a view to the construction of a cheap and serviceable roadway. A field examination of the McMurray tar sand area was carried on last summer, and reliable information is now available touching the mining problems confronting industrial concerns planning development of this great natural resource.

Dean Boyle has continued his remarkable experiments in high frequency mechanical vibrations, the purpose of which is the detection of submerged objects at sea, as well, of course, as the accomplishment of other and more purely scientific ends.

In addition to carrying forward experimentation in insulin, the Department of Bio-Chemistry has recently secured highly significant results from investigation of the parathyroid gland. Announcement of this work was made by Professor Collip at a meeting in Washington of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

W. A. R. KERR,
Dean of the University of Alberta

Within the province itself several conditions are working in the same general direction. Alberta has today the accumulated knowledge of three decades of experiment with soil and climatic conditions in this province and many of the mistakes common to all new countries can now be avoided. Blends of seed and strains of stock peculiarly fitted to local conditions have been developed. There is a steadily increasing tendency towards mixed farming which, in addition to lessening the risk to the individual farmer, will make for intensive settlement, permanent buildings and generally better living conditions. Co-operative marketing is another factor already introduced in this province that will tend to make agriculture more profitable and more attractive.

Gradually but none the less surely there will come about a vast development in manufacturing in Alberta. This province has great manufacturing potentialities in its coal, natural gas and water power and it may be reasonably hoped in oil also. An eminent engineer has made the statement that Alberta's coal deposits alone are sufficient to insure that this province will be ultimately the work-shop of Canada.

THE crop returns during the past two years and the satisfactory prices now being obtained for nearly all farm products confirm the opinion that a first mortgage on an Alberta farm property is an attractive investment, providing legislative interference with its standing be removed. It should therefore be the aim of all farmers' organizations to see that the standing of a first mortgage be re-established in order that the credit of the farmer be improved.

W. T. CREIGHTON,
President, Mortgage Loans

Confidence and United Effort Necessary

But back of all these various factors there are three others that are requisite to the adequate development of this province. These are:—

1. An intelligent, well-founded confidence of all the people of Alberta in this province and in its future.

2. A definite, soundly based programme of development.

3. A shoulder to shoulder movement of all the people in promoting Alberta's development.

With these three last mentioned factors in full force and operation in conjunction with her great natural advantages, there is no doubt whatever that Alberta will move forward with increased rapidity to the attainment of the great destiny for which Providence has so evidently prepared this province.

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Managers of Stockyards See Markets Opening for Alberta

"The outlook for the live stock industry to us has always been bright in Alberta and our faith in this particular industry has induced our company, for the past few years, to adopt a policy of expansion in order to meet the adequate developments which are sure to come. Interests in the live stock trade, both in the United States and European countries, especially the British Isles, have for some time realized the value of the Alberta steer.

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J. L. JUHLIN,
Managing Director of the Edmonton Stockyards.

"In 1923 Canada sold approximately five hundred million dollars worth of live stock products. During 1924, value on all class of live stock have shown slight increases with sheep values decidedly improved. Generally the live stock situation for the past twelve months shows measurable improvement compared with the previous year.

"As to the future, we hope and expect that values will advance sufficiently to overcome much higher production costs, due to increased grain prices. Almost unprecedented and continued cold and deep snow have necessitated generous feeding of expensive feeds to all classes of breeding stock. History indicates that higher live stock values follow high grain prices, therefore there should be material improvement in 1925."

E. W. JONES,
Manager and Secretary of the Alberta Stockyards, Calgary.

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NOTICE

The annual meeting of the ratepayers of Springvale School District, No. 211, will be held in the school house on Thursday, January 15th, at 2 p.m.

By order of the Board.
W. P. CODE, Chairman.
Jan. 7, 2w.

U.F.A. ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Red Deer U.F.A. for the election of officers and the appointment of delegates to the provincial convention will be held at the City Hall, Red Deer, on Saturday, January 17, at 2 p.m. A full attendance is requested.

H. WALLACE, President — W. H. EVANS, Sec'y-Treas.

TENDERS FOR WOOD FOR CROSSROADS SCHOOL

Tenders will be received for eight cords of green poplar wood cut in 16 inch length, split and piled in the school yard.

Marked Tenders to be in by January 17, 1925.

F. A. NEILSON, Secretary-Treasurer
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ANNUAL MEETINGS AT POPLAR RIDGE

The annual meetings of the Poplar Grove U.F.A. and the Poplar Ridge Community Hall will be held in the hall on Friday, January 23rd, 1925. The Community Hall meeting will start at 8 o'clock sharp, and the U. F. A. meeting to follow immediately after.

A. W. McBLANE, Secretary.
Jan. 14, 1w.

TENDERS WANTED

Tenders will be received until February 1st for six cubic cords of clean poplar wood, to be cut in 16-inch lengths and piled at the Shady Nook schoolhouse on or before March 15th, 1925.

JOHN GEHRKE,
Secretary Shady Nook S.D.
Jan. 14, 3w.

NOTICE

I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife, Mrs. C. W. Long.

(Signed) C. W. LONG,
Jan. 14, 2w. R. R. 4, Red Deer

NOTICE

A meeting of the ratepayers of Div. No. 4, Municipal District of Pine Lake, will be held at the city hall on Saturday, January 24th, at 2 p.m., to receive the report of the retiring Councillor and to select a candidate for the coming year.

W. R. ELLENWOOD.
Jan. 14, 2w.

POUND NOTICE

Impounded, on January 8th and 9th, in the pound kept by James Cruickshank, Sec. 10-38-27, West of the 4th Meridian, the following:

One bay pony gelding, white strip on face and two hind feet white, also a little white on the right front foot. Branded 8 on right hip.

One bay mare, about 1100 lbs.; Clyde breeding. Two hind feet white and a little white on the right front foot. Strip on face. No visible brand.

If not claimed before Friday, January 3rd, will be sold by public auction at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of that day.

JAMES CRUICKSHANK,
Jan. 14, 2w. Poundkeeper.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given under Section 48 of The Domestic Animals Act (Municipalities) that one bay gelding, weight 1200 lbs., age eight years, no brand, was impounded in the pound kept by O. M. Neilson, located on the S. E. ¼ Section 6, Township 35, Range 2, West of the 5th Meridian, on the 10th day of December, 1924; and that the said animal was sold on the 31st day of December, 1924, to Adam McPherson, of Evarts, Alberta; and that said animal may be redeemed by the owner or on his behalf within a period of thirty days from the publication of this notice in The Alberta Gazette, upon payment of all fees and costs due to the municipality and the purchaser of said animal.

For information apply to the undersigned.

A. McCASKILL, Secretary-Treasurer,
Municipal District of Golden West, No. 371.
Post Office, Sylvan Lake.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY

The Red Deer St. Andrew's Society will celebrate Burns' Nicht with a supper, concert and dance in the McBride Hotel, on

MONDAY
JANUARY 26th, 1925
at 7 o'clock p.m.

Tickets: Members 75c; Children 35c.

Tickets may be had from W. Kirkpatrick, W. Milne, C. Sinclair, or D. S. Ross, and must be purchased prior to Saturday evening, January 24th.

C. SINCLAIR, Pres.
MISS A. DICK, Sec.
Jan. 14, 2w.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Cameron, of Three Hills, is the guest of Mrs. F. M. Hayhoe.

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U. F. A. dance in the Armouries, Friday, January 30th. Bone's orchestra.

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Miss Velma Trimble left last week to attend Mount Royal College, Calgary.

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Miss Mina Cole was visiting Mrs. Stickle, Calgary, for a few days last week.

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Hugh Bower is enjoying a visit to friends in Toronto, Orangeville and other Ontario points.

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If you want a bargain in furniture or a stove, you can get it at Best's, opposite the Post Office.

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Mrs. W. E. Chadsey was visiting her sister, Mrs. E. M. Kane, Edmonton South, last week.

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District Superintendent Geo. Best is in Wetaskiwin to-day holding a chapter of instruction for District No. 2, Royal Arch Masons.

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The annual meeting of the church and congregation of the First Baptist church will be held this Wednesday evening, January 14th, at 8 p.m.

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The St. Andrew's Society had an enjoyable time at their card party and dance at the McBride Hotel on Thursday. Hugh McLevin and Mrs. Geo. Orme won the prizes at cards.

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Mr. Martin, of Calgary, is relieving agent at the Canadian National depot while Agent W. R. Fowler, his wife and daughter are spending the balance of the winter in California.

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Some people neglected to pay the $6.00 hospital tax this year and had to use the hospital. The extra amount they paid would have paid their hospital tax for over 10 years. See advt.

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Knox Presbyterian Church Young People had a sleighing party on Monday evening. After the drive they spent a pleasant evening in the church hall with games and refreshments.

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Miss Hunt, of Lacombe, lost her wrist watch in Red Deer, January 1st. Ads. appeared in the local papers. The News found the finder, and the watch was returned to the owner. It pays to advertise in The News.

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Do not delay paying your $6.00 hospital tax. This tax must be paid before you can get $1.00 per day hospital treatment. You cannot wait until someone gets sick and then become a hospital supporter. See advt.

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If those who would like to curl on Saturday afternoon and in the Bonspiel, at one half the annual rate, will notify Secretary Lindsay, and a sufficient number are anxious to do this, the Saturday draws will be made at once.

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The W. E. Lord Co. have had extensive changes made in their lay-out of counters in the grocery department, and the public will find the store more convenient than ever. The office and upstairs are also being altered and re-decorated.

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The Methodist Church Choir, aided by members of the C.G.I.T., will hold a series of Twilight Recitals, the first being given Saturday, January 17th, at 3.30 p.m. Immediately following an interesting programme, refreshments will be served in the Sunday school room of the church. Admission 25c.

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A wonderful sight was noticed by many citizens Sunday evening about seven o'clock, when two brilliant moon-dogs appeared as the full moon rose above the horizon. The arch contained all the colors of the rainbow, which is very unusual at night. The street lights resembled very much the searchlights used during the war, a veteran said.

THE ANNUAL POULTRY SHOW

The bad weather and roads kept some outsiders away from the annual winter Poultry Show in Red Deer, but local exhibitors increased their exhibits, and the entry of over 300 birds is a good average. Quality is very high, a splendid lot of birds being shown.

Judging was completed about 5 p.m. yesterday, and the officers of the Association kindly placed their list at the disposal of The News man, who made a complete list of the awards. Lack of space, however, prevents our running the awards until next week, much to our regret.

The exhibits are in the Artillery Hall, and are arranged better than ever before, for which credit must be given the executive. President Gehrke, Vice-President Byers and Secretary Stanway, with the directors, are justifiably pleased at the splendid show.

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It was sunset, and over the sky, like a curtain of softest gossamer, the gorgeous coloring which makes our western sunsets famous for their beauty, deepened.

It was sunset, and up from the southern part of the province hurried a car, its occupants weary after a day of travelling over windswept, treeless trails. They were making for Red Deer to find rest and refreshment over night in the free camping ground for tourists. Another car, its occupants out for a pleasure run, also turned into the camping ground. Several tourists were busily engaged putting up their tents and making ready for night, and the second car stopped.

"God, this is grand! And I say it in all reverence and thankfulness," exclaimed the man from the South. "This is Paradise! Come over and meet my wife and family. We come from near Lethbridge and we have not seen trees like this for years, and my boy and girl have never before stood in the woods.

Out of the West came a shaft of rose and gold, and the curved hills of spruce stood glorified and unafraid.

"This is my wife," said the man "We are so delighted with this wonderful camp, we cannot go away with out expressing our gratitude for the permission extended to tourists to rest here."

The woman sat at the foot of a tree, her hands crossed over her knees, and with a happy smile on her face. "You know," she said, "this seems like a dream. We had intended going on to Edmonton tomorrow morning, but we have decided to remain here and enjoy this oasis,—we have not seen trees like this for over ten years and we had quite forgotten how large they could grow." She wiped her eyes and was silent a moment. "Did you ever live on the bald prairies?" she asked,—"out where the moon comes up and sits for an instant on the very edge of things while the sun slides off the other side? Have you ever travelled for days over a trail where the vegetation clings in stunted, frightened growth to the sod? Have you ever held your hands over your eyes as you motored along and tried to believe that the noise the wind made was the sound of swaying boughs, and then, looking again, see nothing as far as the eye could reach but tumbling mustard or sage, and felt that heartache, that absolute yearning for the sight of a tree?" She threw out her arms appreciatingly—"Oh, I think that hill of spruce over there has saved my very reason. How proud the people of Red Deer must be to have it always."

As the second car motored slowly homeward, its occupants, having heard certain rumors concerning the hill of spruce, were very thoughtful.

Red Deer has a population of several thousand, and surely every real man, woman or child who has ever enjoyed the Exhibition attractions—a Stampede, or a baseball game, must have instinctively admired the wonderful natural background of green black spruce. Strangers, visiting Red Deer on such occasions, have enthused over the natural beauty of our town, and our trees have been often spoken of as our greatest scenic asset, and yet, today, a menace hangs over our hill of spruce. It has been commercialized—someone needs the money—and unless something is done on the part of the citizens, saws and axes will be wording their ruthless havoc, and in a short time bare, mutilated stumps will stand, shattered monuments to one of the finest beauty spots in Western Canada—and a condemnation to a town that cared perhaps, but left the situation, too late, for someone else to cope with.

LILLIAN SANDERS

WEDDING

At the Methodist Church, by Rev. J. W. Churchill, Monday, January 12th, Robt. James Scott, of Blades, Alberta, to Janet Susan Kirk, of Millet, Alta.

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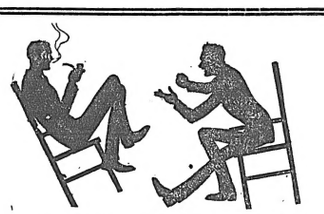
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